LOWELL'S GREATEST.

The Sun leads all the papers in Lowell in circulation. In fact it leads any two of them combined. It is the only afternoon paper in the city printing the day's news of the world hot from the wire. It leads them all on illustrations, on local news, and on general newspaper enterprise.

THE LOWELL SUN

Compare Them——
Compare the Sun with any newspaper printed in Lowell at the same time or several hours later and note the difference. You know a newspaper when you see it, and you also know a fake sheet when you see one.

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BOER TRIUMPHS

A Shell Plays Havoc in Ladysmith

German Steamer Captured as a Prize—Consul Hay and Notables Leave London—Two Kaffir Camps Captured by the Boers—Chicago Offers 50,000 Men to the Boers

By Associated Press to The Sun.

LONDON, Dec. 30.—The Marseilles correspondent of the Daily Mail telegraphing the substance of an interview with the Russian general Gourko, eldest son of the famous Gourko, who is now about starting for Pretoria, says that the Russian officer made the following statement:

"I have been offered the command of a Boer army corps. In my own mind, I am absolutely confident of the success of the Boers. You may take my word for it that thousands of Russians are now fighting under General Joubert."

Sir Chas. Dilke, in the Daily Chronicle this morning discusses Great Britain's relation to Delagoa Bay with regard to the food question. He says:

"It would be one of the greatest follies the country could commit to disregard the possibility of a war some day against a powerful naval coalition in which event it would be to the interests of the United States to feed Great Britain. Great Britain must endure the present conditions, possibly doing something by pressure on the Portuguese officials and strengthening the British consular staff at Delagoa Bay."

The Daily Chronicle in an editorial dealing with the dependence of Great Britain upon the United States for food in time of war, expresses the opinion that many British ships would be transferred to the United States flag.

The Daily Mail asserts that several guns have been removed from the forts at Plymouth by night and that these will be sent to Cape Town.

The Times publishes the following despatch from Chieveley Camp, dated December 24:

"Parties of Boers approached today within three miles of Chieveley Camp, threatening our watering parties who are compelled to go some two miles owing to the scarcity of water. It is reported that the Ladysmith garrison made a sortie on Thursday and captured a hill.

BURGHERS CAPTURE KAFFIRS.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

PRETORIA, Dec. 26, by way of Lourenzo Marquez, Dec. 23.—Commandant Swart reports from the laager at Alowyn Kop, near Zeerust, that he had an engagement on Friday, December 22, with Kaffirs in the neighborhood of Derdorpoort. The Kaffirs occupied a strongly fortified ridge and were well armed. After heavy fighting the burghers captured the Kaffir position, losing three killed and five wounded.

LADY WILSON'S RETREAT.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

MAFEKING, Dec. 10 (by native runner to Mochudi)—Lady Sarah Wilson, who has returned here is living in a bomb-proof shelter of her own construction under the private residence of Mr. Weil. There she is enabled to exist with some degree of comfort and if she chooses to spend a part of the time in the house, her shelter is close enough to enable her to take cover between the ring of the warning bell and the arrival of the projectile. The correspondent of the Associated Press in Mafeking to whom she granted an interview was struck with the fact on entering her bomb-proof refuge, that she is unconstitutionally an old campaigner. Living in this noisome dark hole, dug under the ground, she manages to make herself comfortable. She has whiskey and soda, as well as cigarettes, to offer visitors.

Lady Sarah's adventures were exciting, sometimes amusing and often spiced with considerable danger. It was on a Thursday that she left Mafeking. She arrived at Setlagoli hotel that night. Before morning she was aroused by the rattle of musketry and the boom of guns. It was Captain Nesbitt of the Mashonal and mounted police, now a prisoner in the hands of the Boers, who was fighting desperately, unable to get back or to go forward, but holding the wrecked armored train until the last. As soon as daylight went shallow, Lady Sarah pluckily rode to the scene of action and photographed the wreck.

Finding that her presence at Setlagoli exposed her to insults, the Boers moved her to Mesiti, where she enjoyed the hospitality of a colonial farmer. By means of heavy bribes she persuaded natives to carry information to and fro.

Extraordinary stories regarding her were circulated among the Boers. One was that she was the wife of an English general, and that she was a granddaughter of the Queen, who had come to spy upon the doings of the Boers, and a third that she was the only male survivor of Mafeking, having escaped in the guise of a woman.

Lady Sarah visited Vreyburg. She was driven there by a young Boer, who passed her off as his sister. She found loyalists, who gave her official dispatches and news. On visiting the hospital, she found that orders had been issued that no one should leave the town. The gallant Boer had to answer some curious questions put by the landrost before he could get permission for himself and his "sister" to leave. They set out at 4 o'clock in the morning in fear of being recognized and got safely away.

After the Boers discovered that she had been mixed up in dispatch running, she went to Commandant Snyman's camp with a view of getting back to Mafeking, but Snyman refused to let her go to Mafeking or even to Setlagoli. He proposed sending her to Heorust as a prisoner of war or, as an alternative, to release her, if Viljoen were given up by the British.

At first she refused to ask Colonel Baden-Powell to do this; but finally she changed her mind. Lady Sarah gathered from her varied experiences among the Boers that they are heartily sick of the war.

LADYSMITH HARD PRESSED.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

LADYSMITH, Dec. 24, via Pietermaritzburg.—Gen. White has had a slight attack of fever, but he is now convalescent.

The Boer shell fire has been very damaging recently. On Friday one shell killed six men and wounded nine. The same missile killed 14 horses. Another just missed the fifth lancers lines slightly wounding six officers. Several shells have fallen close to General White's house compelling the removal of headquarters to another point.

It is reported that General Joubert is again in command of the Boers here. The military authorities appear confident, but they are very reticent.

Boers have been observed moving northward and westward in large numbers.

LADYSMITH STRUCK HARD.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

PRETORIA, Dec. 26, via Lourenzo Marues, Dec. 28.—Commandant Snyman reports as follows from Molepo:

On Monday morning the enemy from Mafeking attacked one of our forts in force, with cannon, Maxims and an armored train, and so persistently that there was fighting right on the walls of the fort. But we have relaid our fort. The British loss is reported as 55."

The other commandoes report "all quiet."

The exception of the usual bombardment of Ladysmith.

Gen. Meyer has recovered and returned to the front.

NEW AID TO BOERS.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

LONDON, Dec. 30.—The Cape Town correspondent of the Daily News says: "A leading resident of Vreyburg who was released by the Boers saw 2,000 Colonials from Griqualand west. He says Colonial faces are to be seen everywhere in the Boer ranks."

ORDER FOR 45,000 BELTS.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

WORCESTER, Mass., Dec. 30.—Thos. C. Ormdorff, manufacturer of cartridge belts in this city, received an order from the British government yesterday for 45,000 double-bandelerie cartridge belts. It is said that the order is a rush one and the cartridge belts will be shipped to the Transvaal in lots of several thousand each as soon as manufactured.

AN UP-TO-DATE CONCERN.

Paul O. Kable, with Louis Alexander, the Central street tailor, goes to New York, Philadelphia and Baltimore for a week, on the lookout for the latest ideas in Sartorial Art. This up-to-date concern keeps in touch with the latest styles by frequent visits to the best tailors in the country, consequently their business is steadily increasing and new customers sent in by old ones is the strongest testimonial that their work is satisfactory and up-to-date in every way. They are both practical men and have had long experience in fine Tailoring establishments, and turn out work in every way equal to the best New York and Boston tailors.

Christmas Drafts

Payable in every town in England, Ireland and Scotland, free of discount. Passage tickets at lowest rates.

J. F. O'Donnell's Steamship Agency, 324 Market St., Cor. Worthen.

Do you want a larger Heating Stove?
Do you want a smaller Heating Stove?
Do you want a better Heating Stove than you have?
Do you want a Heating Stove of any kind?
Coal, Wood, Gas or Oil Stove?

Then come to us. We don't know what the other fellow has for sale, but people who have been around other stores, tell us we have the largest assortment. Cash or credit.

To The People's Favorite Furniture Store.

A. E. O'HEIR & CO., 14,16 and 18 Merrimack St.

Near Electric Car Waiting Room.

SIX MEN WOUNDED

In a Hot Battle With the Insurgents

PRISONERS CAPTURED BY COL. LOCKETT

Ammunition and Supplies Left by Enemy

GEN. LAWTON'S FUNERAL AT MANILA

The Remains Placed Aboard the Thomas

By Associated Press to The Sun.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 30.—The adjutant general has received the following cable dispatch from General Otis:

Manila, Dec. 29.—Colonel Lockett with a regiment, two battalions 46th (Col. Schuyler) one 45th (Col. Donst) and company of the 27th infantry, two guns, Capt. Van Dusen, attacked enemy 600 strong on mountain stronghold beyond Montalban, northeast of San Mateo. Large number were killed and wounded. 21 taken prisoners.

Lockett captured one cannon, two rifles, 20,000 rounds of ammunition, 500 pounds powder, arsenal fortifications, all food supplies and considerable other property. This captured point located on mountain trail and formerly supposed to be impregnable.

Our casualties, Lieut. Enslow, 11th cavalry and five enlisted men wounded, mostly slight. Private Matson, 45th infantry, drowned.

GENERAL LAWTON'S FUNERAL.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

MANILA, Dec. 30.—The funeral of General Lawton who was killed at San Mateo, December 19, was held this morning with impressive ceremonies. The remains were conveyed from the Paco cemetery down to the Luneta to Pasig and thence to the transport Thomas which sails this afternoon.

THE STREET CARS

Are to Run all Night Sunday

FOR THOSE ATTENDING MIDNIGHT MASS

The Sun's Suggestion Favorably Received

The Sun's suggestion that the street railroad run cars late Sunday night for the accommodation of those who wish to attend the midnight mass services in the Catholic churches has received the favorable consideration of the street railroad company and cars will be run though at noon it has not been decided just which lines will be favored.

The vesper service at the Immaculate Conception church will be omitted tomorrow evening and the Fathers will devote their time from 6 o'clock to the hearing of confessions. Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament will be given immediately after the high mass Sunday.

BIG STORE BURNED

FURNITURE STORE OF LINDSEY & MORGAN DESTROYED.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

SAVANNAH, Dec. 29.—The furniture store of Lindsey and Morgan and the dry goods store of Daniel Hogan were burned tonight. Loss $150,000; insurance about 60 per cent.

A Clothing Crash Caused by the Tight Money Market.

One of the most widely and favorably known New York pantaloon manufacturers, unable to obtain accommodation at the banks, was forced to sacrifice part of his stock to avert disaster. The result is that we have today about 300 PANTALOONS in neat Oxford gray stripe wool cheviot.

At 89c., Worth $1.50

250 PANTALOONS, in all wool pin check, smooth-faced cheviot.

At 98c., Worth $1.75

600 PANTALOONS in very heavy winter strictly all wool cheviots and cassimeres, in a dozen different shades every one a desirable style.

At $1.50 worth $2.50 and $3,

500 ALL WORSTED PANTALOONS, in neat dark stripes, very dressy,

At $2, worth $3.50 and $5

There is a big loss on each pair of pants to the New York manufacturer and a corresponding gain to the people of Lowell who will buy these goods.

J. L. CHALIFOUX.

Central and Middle Sts.

FOUND NOT GUILTY

Provision Dealer Charged With Selling Undressed Poultry

THE COMPLAINT MADE BY LAWYER HUNT

Fine of $100 in Liquor Case Imposed

Only three drunks appeared in the police court before Judge Hadley this morning.

Michael Hock, a first offender, was assessed $5, and Rose Lee was ordered placed in charge of the probation officer for a term of six months.

Harry Percival pleaded guilty to a charge of drunkenness. He was formerly for many years in the U. S. army, and his wife testified that he has been of no help to her since his return and that he has been intoxicated nearly all the time. On promise that he would enlist in the navy again, the court released Percival.

James H. Lynch pleaded guilty to a charge of illegal keeping and was fined $100.

The court rendered its decision in the case of George R. Myers, proprietor of the Central market, charged with the sale of undressed poultry, which was tried in police court Tuesday, but the court reserved its decision until today. The complaint was made by Lawyer John L. Hunt, who claimed he purchased a turkey for Thanksgiving at the defendant's store. He claimed the turkey contained its crop and entrails and went bad. He ate the turkey Thanksgiving and all of his family, including himself were made ill. Mr. Myers, on the other hand, claimed that he has given his clerks strict orders not to sell poultry that contained its crop and entrails, and thought his orders were being carried out.

The court found Myers not guilty and ordered him discharged. D. J. Donahue, Esq., appeared for the defendant.

THE CLOSING DAY

Of the Municipal Year of 1900

PREPARATIONS FOR INAUGURAL EXERCISES

Another Candidate Mentioned for Cheney's Job

It was the last day, all but one of the old year at city hall yesterday and every one was busy for even City Messenger Fagan with the sword of Damocles just scraping his neck was making ready for the new regime. "No one will be able to say that I didn't leave the place looking clean," remarked the city messenger as he looked at the work of his help.

And in that respect he was quite right for the neat appearance of the hall at all times during the year has called forth many complimentary remarks from visitors. Two of his principal hustlers, Janitor Delmage and Assistant Janitor Fagan, father of the city messenger, are veterans of the civil war and cannot be removed without cause other than partisan grounds and for that fact all lovers of cleanliness are duly grateful.

Mayor Crowley was about all day, and received many visitors. His work on the inaugural was finished a day ago and late yesterday afternoon he received the printed slips of the address for final corrections.

The usual crop of candidates loafed about at different times during the day but the workers were too busy to give them much attention.

In the superintendent of streets' office, where Cheney and Beals and Mack do their work in silence each mentally pitying the other as he figures out his own majority, there was no one present but George Frye who during all the trouble, knows nothing and hears nothing except what he's paid to know and hear. George could not tell how it was looking or how many candidates are in the fight.

At Thursday's meeting of the overseers of the poor nothing that would indicate how the overseers stood as regards Messrs. Wyman and Pinder appeared above the surface but there were deep whisperings and sly investigations that betokened some deep-laid plot. Supt. Wyman and Col. Pinder were both at city hall yesterday morning as they are nearly every day and they greeted each other frostily as usual. Some one suggested that as long as the city has started to pension police officers it might go further and relieve perennial office seekers on a pension. If such were the case none would be more eligible than the colonel who probably beats all local records for holding salaried offices.

THE INAUGURATION.

The inauguration of the new city government will take place in the aldermen's chamber at city hall on Monday morning.

The exercises will begin at nine o'clock and it is the desire of the mayor that they be carried out on time as planned.

Preceding the inauguration there will be the customary reception in the reception room at which the ex-mayors of the city are expected to be present.

Judge Samuel P. Hadley will administer the oath and the prayer for the success of the year's administration will be made by Rev. Michael O'Brien. After the mayor has read his inaugural address the joint convention of the city council will be dissolved and the two branches will proceed to organize and ballot for city officials.

Officers of the High school battalion will officiate as ushers at the inaugural exercises and admission will be by card. The clergymen of the city, both Protestant and Catholic, are among those invited to be present.

Buy Havey's Mandolins.

Good skating at Long Pond.

RUN ON A BANK

The Lynn Five Cent Savings Bank

BESIEGED BY ITS DEPOSITORS

On Account of Complication With Globe Bank

By Associated Press to The Sun.

LYNN, Mass., Dec. 30.—A run on the Lynn Five Cents Savings bank began this morning, because of rumors that the bank is involved deeply in the failure of the Globe National bank of Boston. The Five Cents bank held 88 shares of the Globe stock. Its surplus is all of a million dollars, and the bank officials, this morning, state that they can amply meet all demands that may be made on them today. A crowd of depositors appeared as soon as the doors were opened and police officers were summoned to preserve order.

MIDDLESEX MILLS

Employes Get 10 Per Cent Increase

BEGINNING WITH THE NEW YEAR

Over 750 Operatives are Benefited

At last the increase in wages comes to the operatives of the Middlesex Woolen mills, for yesterday Agent Saunders notified the overseer that a new schedule of wages including a 10 per cent. increase will go into effect on Jan. 1, 1900.

That the increase only affects 750 of the 800 operatives is due to the fact that 50 of those who hold official, or semi-official positions were not cut down when the schedule of prices was reduced in 1893, and have been drawing their former wages since that time.

The increase will give to the operatives of these mills higher wages than have ever before been paid by this corporation.

The Greatest Effort

Of our life to wind up the old year with the biggest Friday and Saturday in the history of this store.

Pass Judgment on These Few Unapproachable Values

OVERCOATS.

Mens' $6 Black Beaver Overcoats $3.98

Men's $8 Black Kersey Overcoats for $5.68

Men's $8 Frieze Overcoats, not all sizes, for $4.50

Men's $10 Black Kersey Overcoats for $7.50

Men's $18 Full Silk Lined Kersey Overcoats for $11.88

Swell Raglan $20 Overcoats to close for $10.00

Light Herringbone Raglan Overcoats worth $16, for $9.88

This is really a great opportunity to save money. We offer great inducements in every department.

Wonderful Bargains in Boys' Clothes.

Lowell One-Price Clothing Company.

72-86 MERRIMACK STREET.

FOR SALE—Boarding house, with 26 good paying boarders. Inquire at 167 East Merrimack street.

BARKING GUEST.

Get rid of it quick.

DOWS' COUGH CURER

Will knock it out. 25 and 50 cents a bottle, all druggists, or

A. W. Dows & Co.

340 Central Street.

BEGIN THE NEW YEAR RIGHT.

Protect your family and yourself against future want. Deposit in the savings department of the Traders' National bank on or before Wednesday Jan. 3d. Receive interest at the rate of four per cent. per annum commencing January 1st, and compounding twice each year.

TRADERS' NATIONAL BANK

30-40 Middlesex St. 11 P. O. ave.

Ladies' Entrance, 42 to 44 Middlesex street.

MR. MORRIS M. NASH APPOINTED SUPERINTENDENT OF THE LOWELL AND SUBURBAN STREET RAILWAY COMPANY.

MORRIS M. NASH

Appointed Suprintendent to Succeed Mr. Begley

Manager Woodman of the Lowell and Suburban railway company, has appointed Morris M. Nash, who has been in the employ of the road for the past six years to the vacancy caused by the death of the late superintendent, Philip T. Begley.

The appointment was made yesterday afternoon and reflects credit on the judgment of the manager and is a mark of appreciation toward Mr. Nash. Mr. Nash is a practical railroad man and has a thorough knowledge of electricity as applied to street railways. He has attained his present high position through exceptional merit and steady application. Mr. Nash began his career in electrical railroading in Auburn, N. Y. where he worked for the Auburn street railway as a motorman. In less than a year he had so far advanced in his knowledge of electricity as a motive power for street cars that he was not only able to run a car, but could make any necessary repairs.

When the Globe Street Railway company of Fall River was being changed from horse to electric power, Mr. Nash assisted in the installation of the electric system and after the work had been completed he was given charge of the motor repair department. In 1898 he came to Lowell to take charge of the repairs of cars at the power station where he was foreman until July 1 when he was appointed master mechanic of the Merrimack Valley division of the Massachusetts Electric companies.

Mr. Nash is a young man and his rapid advancement should be an incentive to all young men. He is only 36 years of age and in nine years has worked himself upward from motorman to superintendent. He is married and has an interesting family of four children. Mr. Nash lives at 23 Burnside street. Supt. Nash will begin his duties January 1st.

Hovey's Banjos, 9-1-2 Wyman's Exchange.

Good skating at Long Pond.

Putnam & Son

TOUCHY WEATHER THIS!

The old-fashioned kind that makes one think of Ulsters and heavy things.

Start here with respectable All Wool Ulsters, long and comfortable, for $4.95

Frieze Ulsters, All Wool, for $5.95 and up to $19.85, with half-a-dozen prices between. Black, Oxford and Olive mixtures—the best ones from Rogers, Peet & Co.

FOR BOYS,

A few Ulsters at practically the half former prices. Those that were $8.00 for $4.95

and all the others in proportion.

FLEECED LINED SHIRTS & DRAWERS

for men. Steel mixtures, heavily fleeced, such as you pay half a dollar for in most stores, here 29 Cents

BOYS' HEAVY FLEECED UNDERWEAR.

Jaeger color, French Necks, pearl buttons, all sizes yet; 38c. goods for 22 Cents

WINTER CAPS,

double band Knox. Made from heavy boucle, Men's and boys,' were 23c., for 12½ Cents

10 DOZENS MEN'S HEAVY LEATHER GLOVES,

lined, and with long knitted wool wrists. Same color as Plymouth buck—only they're not buckskin. Regularly 50c., to close for 29 Cents

PUTNAM & SON,

166 Central Street.

TO BE GARROTED

Five Men to Pay Death Penalty For Cruel Murder

By Associated Press to The Sun.

SAN JUAN, P. R., Dec. 29.—The supreme court of Puerto Rico at Ponce has sentenced five men to be garroted.

In October, 1898, 20 men, heavily armed with guns and machetes, raided a house in Yauco, province of Ponce, and murdered a man named Prudencio Menzez. They also danced around his body with his daughters, who were under compulsion.

Seven of the men were caught, but subsequently one of them escaped and one died in jail.

HE SURRENDERED

Assistant Cashier Goldsmith Held in $10,000

By Associated Press to The Sun.

NEW YORK, Dec. 29.—Lewis E. Goldsmith, assistant cashier of the Port Jervis National Bank, Port Jervis, N. Y., who is alleged to have robbed that institution of $34,000 on November 14th last, and also to have falsified the bank's books, surrendered himself here today. Goldsmith left Port Jervis four days before a warrant was issued for his arrest and has since been a fugitive. His left arm was in a sling and he said that he had fallen off a train and broken his collar bone. He was held in $10,000 bail for the grand jury.

CLAN - NA - GAEL

Fighting Instinct Among Members is Strong

By Associated Press to The Sun.

PAWTUCKET, R. I., Dec. 29.—The local branch of the Clan-na-Gael society of this city, which has a membership of 560, will hold a meeting Sunday afternoon. A prominent member of the society stated today that a call for 500 men from this city for the talked of invasion of Canada would meet with instant response. It is stated that the local organization is ready and anxious to join forces with the movement which is said to be assuming such proportions in all parts of the country. The fighting instinct among the members was never so strong as it is at present, and an enthusiastic gathering is anticipated for Sunday, when many applications for membership will be acted upon.

FAMINE RELIEF

IS GIVEN TO NEARLY 3,000,000 PEOPLE.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

CALCUTTA, Dec. 29.—Almost three million persons are receiving famine relief. The government is spending nearly two lakhs of rupees daily. It is estimated that the cost of the relief to the end of March will be three score of rupees. Owing to the rapid increase in the numbers of people seeking relief, the viceroy, Lord Curzon of Kedleston, invites a closer scrutiny of the claims of the applicants.

WEDDING ANNIVERSARY.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

BOSTON, Dec. 29.—Mr. and Mrs. Ira Allen Worth, two of the best known residents of Charlestown, having resided in that district for almost 50 years, celebrated their golden wedding anniversary last evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. George H. Pendergast, 34 Mead street.

BIG FIRE.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

PROVIDENCE, R. I., Dec. 29.—Fire started in the pantry of the L. A. Tillinghast company, caterers, 277 Westminster street, at 6 o'clock this morning and threatened the big block in which is their property, the B. H. Gladding company, dry goods; the Trocadero suite of assembly rooms, and half a dozen smaller business enterprises. It was checked, after a double alarm, before spreading much outside of the Tillingha t pro e ty. The loss is about $20,000, of which the Tillinghast share is one-half. Smoke and fire was responsible for the greater part of the damage. All firms effected carried insurance, most of them in full.

BIG HAUL

COL. LOCKETT'S FINE WORK NEAR MONTALBAN.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

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FLORENCE HINCKLEY MARRIED.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Dec. 29.—Florence Blythe Hinckley, heiress to several million dollars left by her father, Thomas Blythe, which was awarded to her after protracted litigation has been married to A. A. Moore, Jr., deputy attorney general of this state.

LOSS OF $150,000.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

BURLINGTON, Ia., Dec. 29.—The building and contents of the Biklen Winzer wholesale grocery were destroyed by fire today. Loss $150,000; insurance $95,000.

"A Good Maxim is Never Out of Season."

Neither is a good family medicine, like Hood's Sarsaparilla. It tones up the system, cures catarrh, rheumatism, scrofula and all stomach troubles, and wards off sickness. All who are weak and worn by the effects of illness or overwork find in its use appetite, strength and health.

Hood's Sarsaparilla

NEVER DISAPPOINTS

NAVAL INCREASE

France Wants to Enlarge Her Fleet

By Associated Press to The Sun.

PARIS, Dec. 29.—The government will submit to the chamber of deputies at the beginning of January a bill providing for the defense of the French coasts and colonies and to increase the strength of the fleet. This does not involve an increase in the expenses. The cost of the defense of the coast and colonies is estimated at 120,000,000 francs, spread over 2 1-2 years. This sum will be provided for by 50,000,000 francs annually, set aside to pay off certain bonds, and which become free this year by the final repayment of these bonds. The expense of the increase of the fleet will be met by utilizing 55,000,000 francs out of the 105,000,000 francs annually devoted to the construction of new vessels. At the end of two years, the whole 105,000,000 francs can be devoted to the new naval program.

BIG SUIT

ENTERED AGAINST A CHICAGO HOSPITAL.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

CHICAGO, Dec. 29.—Mrs. Henriette Phillips, of Racine, Wis., has entered a suit in the circuit court of that county against the Presbyterian hospital of Chicago, for $50,000 damages. She claims to have been made an invalid for life by the mistake of a nurse in giving her a dose of medicine intended for another person. The hospital authorities admit that an error was made by one of the nurses, but declare that the medicine given was harmless.

BANK ACCOUNT ATTACHED.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

NORWICH, Conn., Dec. 29.—A Danielson despatch says:

The bank account of F. A. Rogers & Co., bankers and brokers, of Boston, has been attached by Myron L. Derrick and Charles F. Hutchinson, formerly copartners, of Derrick, Hutchinson & Co., of Boston, for $35,000. It is on account of some stock deals made during 1893-94.

MUSIC HALL

The Victoria Burlesquers company, of which Ed. T. Rush is proprietor and which played here in the early part of October, very successfully opened a return engagement at Music Hall last night. The opening scene, an elaborate setting of a Chinese opium dive, gave nearly all the company something to do and Miss Stafford a chance to sing a medley of popular songs, some of them with choruses. As before, Miss Aggie Benner opens the olio with a group of lively songs. She sang two new compositions, "Tell It to Me, Babe," and "Learn to Love." John H. Reid and Miss Ella Gilbert repeated their former success in a clever sketch. The former is a capital Irish comedian and dancer, and Miss Gilbert's singing added materially to the interest of the travesty. Al. Curtis and Mark Wooley as the Hebrew and German ambassadors made a distinct hit. They are among the funniest of dialect performers and have the mannerisms of the nationalities they depict down to a nicety. Leltov and Morris in their comedy bar act were again the feature of the olio, and their amusing and difficult performance was heartily applauded. Miss Camille Le Roy Stafford sang three excellent songs, "Little Georgie Arose," "My Honeah Lady," and "Just Her that I Love Her." The songs were illustrated by many fine pictures admirably handled by Fred E Moore.

The closing travesty, "A High Ball," introduced some capital burlesquers of scenes from well known plays and the entire company appeared in the many bits which composed it. Miss Ella Gilbert was the leader in the burlesque. She sang the solos in "Popularity" and "Say You Love Me, Sue." Miss Stafford was the Laza in the burlesque of that play. A scene from the Turtle was given with much effect by Miss Aimee Travis and Messrs. Curtis, Woolen and Reid. There were numerous good dances and choruses, in which the principals were aided by Misses Mineta Desmond, Grace Hale, Mae Leslie, Gloria Martinez, Bessie Brown, Maud Gordon and Dolly Earle.

The company will repeat the performance this and tomorrow evenings and tomorrow afternoon.

CAUGHT AT LAST

MAGGIE FITZGERALD RAN AWAY TWO YEARS AGO.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

CONCORD, N. H., Dec. 29.—Margaret Fitzgerald, 16 years, was arrested here last night as a wayward child and held for her father, Edward Fitzgerald of Brockton, Mass., who came here for her today. Margaret ran away from home in Dover two years ago last June, and has lived a somewhat wayward life in various New England cities.

GEN. BLACKMAR

A CANDIDATE FOR JUNIOR VICE COMMANDER OF THE DEPARTMENT.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

BOSTON, Dec. 29.—Gen. Wilmot W. Blackmar is possibly the best-known G. A. R. man in Massachusetts, and his comrades will be delighted to hear that he has allowed his name to be used in the coming election for the junior vice commander of the department.

At the last meeting of Edward W. Kinsley post, 113, of Boston, of which Gen. Blackmar is an honored member, resolutions were were adopted indorsing him for the position, and a committee was appointed with full powers to use all honorable means to secure his election.

TEMPERATE LIFE

WAS THAT LED BY GEORGE BLAKEMAN.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

DERBY, Conn., Dec. 29.—George Blakeman, the oldest man in this city, and believed to be the oldest mason in the United States, died this morning at the age of 109 years, two months and 19 days. Mr. Blakeman's life has been a living sermon of temperance and frugal living. At the age of 21 he was a sickly young man, but by the avoidance of all medicine and the most simple diet he had since acquired robust health. He was a shoe manufacturer.

HEAVY FIRING

IN THE DIRECTION OF STORMBERG.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

CAPE TOWN, Thursday, Dec. 28.—A dispatch from Cradock reports heavy firing in the direction of Stormberg. It is supposed this is connected with General Gatacre's attempt to reopen communication with the Indwe collieries.

CONDITION OF LADYSMITH.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

PIETERMARITZBURG, Wednesday, Dec. 27.—A dispatch from Ladysmith dated December 22, says:

"The Boers have mounted another howitzer on Surprise hill, replacing the gun captured in the sorties of the rifle brigade. While they watch us nightly with a searchlight and bombard the place daily, they show no signs of assaulting the town. They probably think they can starve us out but we have plenty of provisions. The total casualties since the siege are 70 men killed and 2?6 wounded."

Attention of Sun readers is directed to [illegible] calling for information re[illegible] Edward McEwan in an

SEN. CHANDLER

A Witness in the Gallinger Case

By Associated Press to The Sun.

CONCORD, N. H., Dec. 29.—Senator William E. Chandler was the only witness this morning in the grand jury hearing of charges of civil service law violation against Senator Jacob H. Gallinger. Senator Chandler reached town at 11.15, went before the grand jury at 12 o'clock and testified for an hour when the dinner recess was taken.

Secretary Hoyt, of the republican state committee will testify this afternoon.

The missing witness, John T. Walker, Senator Gallinger's secretary, has not been located. District Attorney Hamblett says the case will not be closed until Walker's testimony is heard, which probably means that the hearing will be prolonged until next week.

SCHOONER ASHORE

WENT ON PAQUE ISLAND ON WAY TO BOSTON.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

BOSTON, Dec. 29.—Word was received here today by the owners of the vessel, that the schooner Mary Sanford, Pensacola, Fla., for Boston with lumber, is ashore on Pasque Island, Vineyard Sound. Arrangements were made at once for sending tugs to her.

MATT STYNE

SAID TO HAVE REFUSED TO CONTINUE THE WAR.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

LONDON, Dec. 29.—Dispatches from all parts of South Africa emphasize the great enthusiasm among the troops and the public occasioned by the new appointments, those of Generals Roberts and Kitchener. The announcement that the former will have supreme command and that the latter will be chief of staff has largely dispelled the depression in Cape Colony caused by the recent reverses, while the soldiers anticipate everything from the presence of "Bobs" from success in battle to cheaper beer.

Advices from Cape Town dated December 24, say an investigation shows that the reported disaffection among the Dutch in the Victoria West district has been overdrawn. The farmers it is pointed out are mostly land owners and will not risk the loss of their farms by rising.

A dispatch from Lourenzo Marquez, dated December 23, says a curious story is current emanating from Boer sources that Matt Steyn, brother of the president of Orange Free State and eight hundred Free Staters have definitely refused to continue the war. Matt Steyn, acting as spokesman of the party, is reported to have told the president that he was only authorized to intervene in the interest of peace and the burghers did not feel they were bound by his "unwarrantable conduct" especially as they ran the risk of the confiscation of their property and they simply desired to be permitted to farm in peace and proposed to immediately return to their farms.

Sir Charles Howard Vincent, member of parliament for the central division of Sheffield and colonel of the Queen's Westminster volunteers, has been appointed to command the infantry division of the city of London imperial regiment.

The text of Col. Baden-Powell's proclamation to the burghers besieging Mafeking the gist of which has already been cabled, comes from Lourenzo Marquez, today. His assertions are calculated to surprise others besides the Boer general Snyman, who has already voiced the anger of the recipients. After asserting that the republics cannot hope for foreign intervention and pretending to relate the exact attitude of all the European powers, including Emperor William, who the colonel said "fully sympathizes with England," Baden-Powell makes the extraordinary statement that the American government has warned the others of her intention to side with England should any of them interfere.

A war office dispatch from Col. Baden-Powell, dated December 12, after announcing that Lady Sarah Wilson had arrived safe and well at Mafeking, adds that the bombardment and musketry fire continue daily on all sides and that the health and spirits of the garrison are very satisfactory.

HISTORIANS MEET

WAR CAUSED BY POPULAR DISTURBANCES.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

CAMBRIDGE Mass., Dec. 29.—The public session of the American Historical association today at Sander's Theatre, was devoted to the subject of foreign relations. Prof. John B. McMaster of the University of Pennsylvania, spoke on the government of foreigners. He argued that the colonies of the United States are not under the constitutional rule, but under the direct ruling of congress and maintained that the Philippines, Porto Rico and the other newly acquired possessions of this government can be ruled directly by act of congress and that none of the provisions of the constitution except that of slavery, applies to them.

Baron Speck Von Sternberg, German commissioner to Samoa, followed with a paper upon the "Samoan Question." Prof. E. G. Bourne, Yale University, followed, reading a paper on "The Proposed Absorption of Mexico, 1847-48."

"Democracy and Diplomacy," the last paper, was discussed by Prof. S. M. McVane, Harvard University. He stated that he believed wars were now caused mainly by popular disturbance. In olden times they were caused by the personal will of the ruling monarch.

QUO WARRANTO

PROCEEDINGS AGAINST COMPANIES IN MEXICO.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

SANTA FE, N. M., Dec. 29.—Solicitor-General E. L. Bartlett has brought quo warranto proceedings against the Colorado Fuel & Iron company and the Colorado Supply company, and Judge McFie issued summons for the company to appear January 19 to show cause why a writ of ouster should not be issued prohibiting the companies from operating in New Mexico. The bill of complaint avers that neither of the companies filed corporation papers or paid in corporation fees in the territorial secretary's office, nor appointed a local agent upon whom process can be served, as the New Mexico statutes require.

It is asserted that the coal and iron company is in a coal combine which is the cause of the coal famine in New Mexico towns.

STRIKING WEAVERS

ADDRESSED BY THOMAS F. CONNOLLY OF LOWELL.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

PROVIDENCE, R. I., Dec. 30.—The Blackstone Valley Weavers' association held a general meeting in Lonsdale village last evening at which the striking weavers attended. Addresses were made by Matthew Hart of New Bedford, president of the federation of labor, and by Thomas F. Connolly of Lowell of the National Textile union. The addresses in the main were on the rights of labor and the benefits of labor organization. The strikers took no action with regard to the strike itself. After the meeting they were paid their allowances from the common benefit fund.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

AND ANNUAL MEETING OF FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH.

Last evening the annual meeting and election of officers for the ensuing year was held at the First Baptist church. Nearly all the old officers were re-elected, and the following is the list:

Clerk, M. Bancroft; treasurer, James Buchanan; auditors, C. H. Clogston, H. L. Tibbetts; standing committee, the pastor and deacons, the church clerk, representatives of the various societies within the church and the following: Dr. William Bass, Elwyn Lovejoy, H. C. Fuller, Robert Midgeley, F. J. Flemings, F. A. Bowen, Pierson Noyes, George H. Taylor, George Durant, Rev. Isaac Lafleur; chief ushers, H. C. Fuller, F. J. Flemings, A. F. Swanton; baptizing committee, Thomas Gibson, Edgar A. Winter, George Guerney, F. A. Bowen, Oscar Barclay, Mrs. Fred Jewett, Mrs. M. E. Rowe, Miss Laura Jones, Mrs. Georgiana Boynton, Mrs. I. B. Leclaire, Miss Lydia Green; membership committee, the pastor and deacons, church clerk, church missionary and the pastor of the French mission, Mr. Lafleur; committee on printing, Warren L. Floyd, George H. Taylor, Rev. S. T. Ford, F. J. Flemings; vice chairman, Frank Chapman; church historian, Warren L. Floyd.

The report of the treasurer showed the total amount collected and expended during the year, $1922.24.

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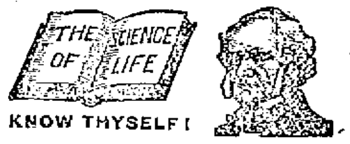

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Deceased Had Acknowledged a Former Marriage

By Associated Press to The Sun.

BOSTON, Dec. 30.—A climax of a sensational nature was reached in yesterday's hearing on the petition of Mrs. Harriet E. Allen of Portland, Me. to be appointed administratrix of the estate of Supt. Elbridge G. Allen of the New York, New Haven and Hartford R. R., before Judge McKim in the Suffolk county probate court. It was in effect the introduction of testimony to show there is no record of the marriage of the petitioner with Mr. Allen as was claimed, at the Park street church in this city. The church records were apparently supported by the state record of marriages.

The petition is opposed by Mrs. Flora E. Allen who claims a widow's title as the dead man's second wife, alleging that Mrs. Allen No. 1 was never married. The petitioners claim marriage in 1872. Mrs. Allen No. 2 was married in New York last January. The case for the respondent is now on, the petitioner's case having been ended.

John E. Parker of the Park street church said that Mrs. Harriet Allen called on him in November and inquired as to the whereabout of Rev. Mr. Murray. She said she wished to substantiate her marriage.

A letter from Secretary of State Olin introduced stated that no recorded marriage of Elbridge G. Allen and Harriet E. Snow could be found on the books of the state between 1871 and 1872.

The certificate of marriage of Elbridge G. Allen and Flora Estelle White in New York, Jan. 15, 1899, by D. Asa Blackburn, was introduced, giving Mr. Allen as a single man, as was also a record from books of the Church of the Strangers, showing that the marriage was performed there.

William G. Allen, brother of the late E. G. Allen, testified to meeting Harriet Snow in 1873. She was with his brother but the latter when queried as to whether he was married, said "Not much." At the time of the funeral, Mrs. Allen No. 2 was at the home of the witness. Mr. Allen did not go to Sweden, Me., with the funeral party, but Mrs. Allen No. 2 did. On cross examination witness said Mrs. Harriet Allen was known in Portland as Mrs. E. G. Allen. Supposed she was brother's wife. Knew they were living apart but he supported her.

BASKET BALL

HUDSON DEFEATS THE STRONG MARLBORO B. P. A.

The Marlboro B. B. A., the leading team in the state basket ball league, was defeated at Hudson Thursday night by the Hudsons in a fierce game the score standing 27 to 17 at the close of the game. Jack O'Neil of the Burkes played with the Hudsons and put up a fine exhibition caging two goals from the floor and besides played a general all round good game. The line-up and summary was as follows:

Hudson	Marlboro.
O'Neil, lf	rb, Halloran
Rodger, rf	lb, Reid
Green, c	c, Kynoch
Porter, lb	rf, Doyle, Knox
Howe, rb	lf, Robb

Basket from floor—Reid 3, O'Neil 2, Rodger 2, Green, Howe 2. Baskets on free tries—Porter 7, Reid 11. Missed free tries Porter, Kynoch, Reid 5, Fouls called—On Knox, Robb 4, Kynoch 2, Halloran, O'Neil 5, Green 5, Porter 6. Referee—H. L. Dadmun.—Timers—F. H. Sawyer, Hudson; John Keane, Marlboro. Time—20-minute halves. Attendance—1200.

GERMAN STEAMER

CAPTURED AS A BRITISH PRIZE AND TAKEN TO DURBAN.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

LOURENZO MARQUEZ, Delagoa Bay, Dec. 30.—The German steamer Bundesrath, belonging to the German East African line, has been captured as a prize and taken to Durban. The Bundesrath arrived here from Mozambique.

The German steamer Bundesrath of 1,519 tons, sailed from Hamburg, Nov. 8, for Tanga, East Africa.

STRIKERS LOSE

STRIKE AT CARPET MILLS WAS SHORT-LIVED.

The strike in the Brussels finishing room in the Carpet mills appears to be off, as some of the strikers returned to work yesterday without their increase while the others were replaced by other workmen.

SURPRISE PARTY.

Last evening there was a pleasant surprise party at the home of Mr. William Hayes, 73 East Merrimack street. During the evening, Mr. Hayes was presented with a quartered oak sideboard. The presentation speech was made by Frank Blake. Dancing, songs and recitations were enjoyed.

EX-POLICEMAN

"JACK" INGALLS TO RECEIVE A TESTIMONIAL.

After the adjournment of the board of aldermen last night Alderman Libby circulated a paper for a fund for the benefit of ex-Patrolman Jack Ingalls. The latter was one of the oldest officers on the police force and was retired under the physical test of the civil service several years ago. He was brought to mind by the recent passage of the police pension bill in which it was of course too late for him to benefit. The paper was headed by Mayor Crowley and signed by several of the aldermen and city hall attaches, most of them $5 subscriptions. It will be extensively signed.

Good skating at Long Pond.

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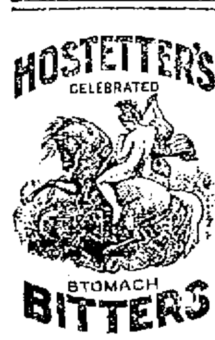

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DRIVEN TO DEATH

Olaf Sundstrom Found Dead in a Hotel

WAS A RESIDENT OF BOSTON

But Went to New York in Quest of Work

By Associated Press to The Sun.

NEW YORK, Dec. 30.—Because his little children were sick and because he was sick himself and out of work, Olaf Sundstrom committed suicide by cutting his throat with a razor in room 387 of the Grand Union hotel, yesterday afternoon, about 3 o'clock.

The man registered at the Grand Union Dec. 26 signing his name "O. Sundstrom, Boston." Since then he has been daily seen about the office of the hotel. Yesterday morning a chamber maid knocked at his door about 9.30 o'clock and asked if there was anything he wanted done. "No, nothing you can do for me, thank you," was the reply that came over the transom.

There was something strange in his voice, and at 3.15 she told Manager Tarbell she feared something was wrong. Then the door was broken open. Sundstrom's lifeless body was found upon the bed, an ugly wound in his throat, and a razor lying near the right hand.

A letter signed "Your affectionate wife, Evie," dated "The Rochdale," Boston, was among the papers on the dresser. It said:

"The children are very sick, but I hope your health is improving."

This letter was addressed to him "Care of A. Williams, Highlands, Ulster county, New York."

In another letter was found a check in his favor, signed by his brother, William H. Sundstorm, who lives in Boston.

There was an illustration showing a lad kneeling at a woman's feet, with the sentiment: "If you are getting along with enough to eat and enough to cover you, then don't go hunting for a change, for it's mighty apt to be a bad one. For even the faith of God almighty promises only enough." The clipping was evidently from a newspaper.

Sundstorm had recently been employed by the aeolian company, No. 18 West 23d street, but had been forced to give up work on account of ill health. He is said to have suffered from nervous collapse.

BELONGED IN BOSTON.

Olaf Sundstorm was manager of the Aeolian department of M. Steinert & Son's piano establishment at 162 Boylston street, Boston. Two months ago he went to New York city, where he had lied since. Of late he had been somewhat despondent, but none of his associates or relatives ever thought for an instant that he would commit such a rash act. He resided in Hingham.

He had a brother, W. H. Sundstorm, who lives in the Rochdale hotel, Blue Hill avenue, Roxbury. The latter was seen last evening by a reporter, who was the first to bear the sad news to him of his brother's death. He was completely prostrated by it, as Olaf was his only brother, and he had a great affection for him. A short while ago he sent Olaf a check for $50, with which to tide over his difficulties. He could not give any reason for the deed, but thought that it was done in a fit of despondency.

TWO BOUTS

FOR GEORGE GARDINER NEXT MONTH.

George Gardiner, the crack Lowell middleweight, will in all probability figure in two bouts at Lynn next month. The first will be on January 9th, and his opponent will be Harry Fisher of New York, who was defeated by Gardiner at Brooklyn last summer in seventeen rounds. His opponent in the second bout will be a much tougher customer than Fisher. He will be George Byers, the colored middleweight of Boston, rated as one of the best fighters of his class in the country. The second bout will be decided January 27th. Special trains may be run from Lowell for the second fight, and possibly the first, too.

ENGAGEMENT ANNOUNCED.

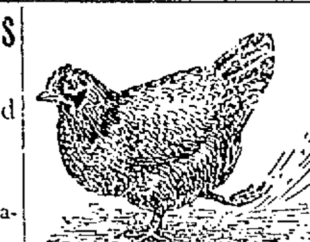
The engagement is announced of Miss Jenny Lind Lewis of this city and Dr. Edward B. Evans of Fargo, North Dakota. Dr. Evans was graduated from the Baltimore Medical college in '97, and was prominent in athletics there, being captain of the foot ball team for two years. Miss Lewis has been spending the winter at her home in Stevens street.

VENUS' SECOND.

The second dance of the Venus Social club was held last night at Manchester Unity hall. A large number were on the floor and enjoyed dancing until a late hour.

The officers were: General manager, John McKenzie; floor director, Frank Lally; assistant, Richard Clayton; aids, William Chisholm, George McClure and Oscar Pereox.

Rev. and Mrs. L. W. Staples gave an informal reception Thursday evening in honor of their son, Charles, who is a student at Middletown, Conn. The guests were intimate friends.



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TO A NEW OFFICE

Rev. T. J. McCormack for Assistant Chancellor

By Associated Press to The Sun.

BOSTON, Dec. 30.—The Rev. Thomas J. MacCormack of the Cathedral of the Holy Cross has been appointed assistant chancellor of the archdiocese of Boston, which is a new office. The duties will be important.

Fr. MacCormack was born in Boston in 1868, and received his early education in the public schools and was graduated from the Brimmer grammar school. Then he spent a short time in academical studies in Prompton Academy in Pennsylvania, and, returning to this city, entered Boston College, from which he was graduated with the class of '91. He was prominent in literary circles, and served on the board of editors of the Stylus, the college journal. In the fall of '91 he entered St. John's Seminary, Brighton, where he received his priestly training.

At a very early age he became a sanctuary boy at the Cathedral, and has since, as master of ceremonies, seminarian and priest, been closely connected with the Cathedral. For many years as a sanctuary boy, he attended Archbishop Williams. Upon his ordination to the priesthood, Fr. MacCormack was assigned by the archbishop as a curate at the Cathedral, an office seldom trusted to so young a man. At the Cathedral, Fr. MacCormack has been master of ceremonies, a position which calls for an unusual knowledge of the ceremonial and rubrics of the church.

PECULIAR CHILD

REFUSES TO TALK BUT SINGS LIKE A BIRD.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

NEW YORK, Dec. 30.—The case of the little girl with the short black hair who sings but does not talk is still puzzling the headquarters police and Matron Travers. The child is about 4 years old, has black hair cut loose to her head like a boy's, is about three feet in height, weighs about eighty pounds and has dimples and rosy cheeks. She was brought into the Mulberry street station at midnight on Wednesday.

"What is your name, little one?" asked Mrs. Travers as the child entered the room. There was no answer.

"What's the trouble with her, Mr. Williams?" she inquired of the officer.

"Blessed if I know," he replied. "The sergeant and the captain and the reporters and all of 'em up to the Thirty-seventh street station house were trying to find out that same thing, but nobody did."

"Are you hungry?" the child was asked.

For answer she nodded affirmatively.

After the bowl of bread and milk, Mrs. Travers, still puzzling over the strange silence, said:

"Do you like kitties?" She produced a black kitten almost as large as a wild cat, while the child nodded a great deal and began stroking the black fur.

After breakfast the next morning, the canary began to sing. The child sang with it. There were no words to the song. It was a stream of sound, melodious, unbroken.

"Strange!" exclaimed Mrs. Travers, "how can she sing when she will not talk?"

Last night, when Williams got off duty, he hurried down to headquarters to see his ward.

"How's your charge?" he asked of Mrs. Travers.

"Well, she'll never hang herself with talking," she said.

SUNKEN SCHOONER

SIGHTED BY THE BRITISH STEAMER ASHLAND.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

NORFOLK, Va., Dec. 30.—Captain Lewith of the British steamer Ashland from Galveston to Marseilles via Norfolk, reports that when 25 miles north, one-quarter east of Diamond Shoals lightship, off Cape Hatteras, he passed the wreck of a large three-masted schooner, the only things visible above the water being topmasts. There were no signs of life about the vessel or wreckage floating and the sea was too rough to permit his ship to go near the wreck. The size of the masts indicated a vessel whose crew was not less than ten men. The schooner undoubtedly sank in Saturday night's storm and the men must have gone down with their ship.

JOHN STREET METHODIST CHURCH

Mr. E. P. Telford, the English evangelist, will begin a twelve-day mission in Central church, corner of John and Paige streets, tomorrow morning, at 10.30 o'clock. He will also preach at the union watch meeting which begins at 8.15 p. m., and closes at 12.10 Monday morning. The John street Congregational church will unite in the watch night services. Rev. G. H. Johnson and Thomas Judge will speak. Sunday school concert at 6.15 p. m. No Epworth League on account of the watch meeting.

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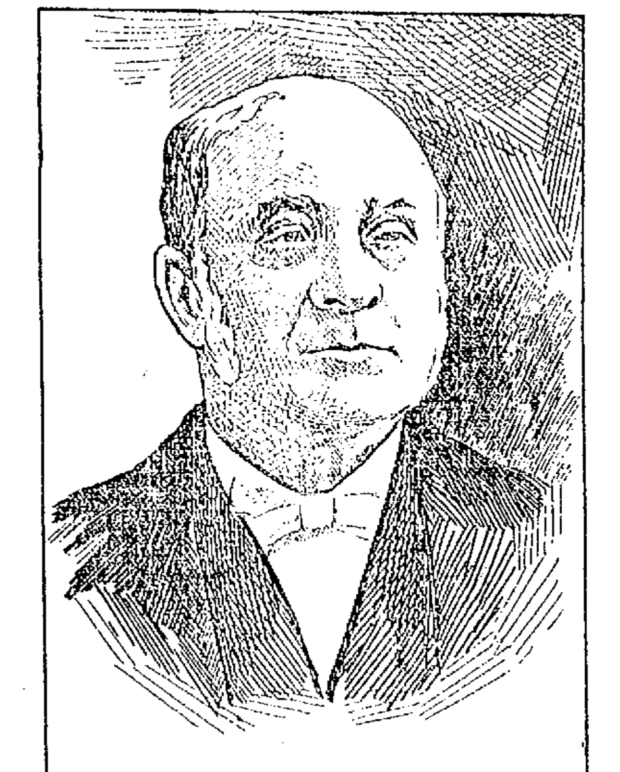

REV. THOMAS HAWORTH, WHO OBSERVES HIS 80TH BIRTHDAY TODAY.

IS EIGHTY YEARS

Birthday of Rev. Thomas Haworth Today

THE VENERABLE CHAPLAIN AT LOWELL JAIL

Sketch of His Honorable Career

Today marks the 80th birthday of Rev. Thomas Haworth, the venerable chaplain of the Lowell jail and in honor of the occasion he will receive his friends this afternoon and evening from 3 to 9 at his home, 326 Moody street.

Rev. Mr. Haworth is a native of Blackburn, England, and came to this country in May, 1850. He comes of staunch Methodist stock, his father and four uncles, brothers of the latter having been preachers in the same denomination.

Mr. Haworth began his career as a preacher when a young man in the old country. After coming to America he was ordained a deacon by Bishop James at an annual meeting in Springfield and four years later was ordained as elder at St. Paul's church in this city where the annual conference was held. His ministerial work in England covered a period of ten years. Though not a college man, Rev. Mr. Haworth was remarkably successful, his career having been self-helping and self-sacrificing. His first work in this country was in Billerica where he preached for five years and started a church. After leaving Billerica, Rev. Mr. Haworth went to Graniteville where for several years he preached in the schoolhouse. His work there was crowned with success and at the time of the civil war, a good church edifice was erected for the use of the Methodist people. On the first day of December, 1867, he held first services at the jail by invitation of Sheriff Kimball. During the administration of Sheriff Cushing he retained his position there and still continues his ministrations each Sunday morning. He draws a salary of $150 a year from the county and helps himself a little by canvassing when able to do so. He says it is pretty hard soil to cultivate but having preached to the prisoners for 32 years it has come to be a part of his life and he enjoys the work.

The prisoners pay very strict attention to him and he has a good quartette choir that is paid by the county. Every week for the last 11 years Mrs. Haworth has gathered over one hundred papers from institutions and individuals to send to the jail. Their collection and the task of looking them over to see that nothing unwise is sent to the inmates of the jail is a monotonous duty but it is faithfully performed and doubtless does much good. In 1868 and 1869, Mr. Haworth was chaplain at the poor farm.

Notwithstanding the fact that worldly prosperity has not come his way, Mr. Haworth is always cheerful and happy, always ready to say a kind word to others in distress. His sympathetic nature wins the confidence of all who are thrown into intimate relations with him. He says that the ministers of the local churches have been especially kind, helping him in many ways.

While conducting services in Graniteville, Mr. Haworth's labors were somewhat severe as he was obliged to travel back and forth with a team in all sorts of weather.

Mr. Haworth has been three times married. His first wife accompanied him to this country from England and she died in March, 1862. His present wife was formerly Mrs. Hodgman of this city. He has two sons, John H., of the firm of Haworth & Watson in Lincoln street, Chas. W., foreman in the same establishment, and Thomas, who is now in Minnesota. He has also one grandson, Lloyd Haworth, son of John H. Haworth. Two sisters are still living in England, Mrs. James Fryer of Manchester and Mrs. Henry Kelsall of Exeter, near London.

Mr. Haworth has been a devoted and faithful member of the Worthen street M. E. church since he first came to Lowell in 1850. He is also an Odd Fellow, and has been chaplain of Oberlin lodge since 1867 or 1868.

All the rage. Hovey's Guitars.

BURKES—P. A. C.

IN GREAT SHAPE FOR MONDAY'S GAME.

Both the Burkes and P. A. C.'s have put in much preparatory work during the past week and are in great shape for the game at Associate hall Monday night. It will be the third and probably last game of these teams in this city, and it will also decide the championship of the city, each team having won one game this season, so it ought to be a rattling contest.

Good skating at Long Pond.

DISASTROUS FIRE

Two Seven Story Buildings Down

THE LOSS WILL REACH HALF A MILLION

Firemen Had a Very Narrow Escape

By Associated Press to The Sun.

NEW YORK, Dec. 30.—The two seven-story buildings at Nos. 425 to 445 East 24th street, occupied principally by the wall paper factory of Wm. Campbell and company, were destroyed by fire last night, loss is fully $500,000.

The plant of the New York Hygeia Ice company, which occupied the basement of No. 425 and that of the Manhattan Electric Light company on the first and second floors of the same buildings were destroyed. A large portion of the east side gets its lights from that company and was on account of the fire, cast into complete darkness.

The Campbell company employed 400 hands, who will be thrown out of work. The two buildings destroyed occupied a frontage of 200 feet on 24th street, the entire avenue frontage to 25th street and 15 feet on the latter street.

Patrick Gannon, the night watchman in the buildings, discovered the fire on the first floor at 10.15 o'clock.

Five alarms were turned in bringing to the scene 25 engines, 13 hook and ladder trucks and two water towers. Withing 20 minutes after the fire was discovered, the entire west side of the factory was a roaring furnace.

There no large buildings close enough to catch and the firemen were able by hard work to keep the flames confined to the Campbell buildings.

Three hook-and-ladder men, Andrew Degnan, Joseph Shaughnessy and Joseph Messinger, were caught on the sixth floor and escaped with great difficulty, all were severely burned.

Two other hook-and-ladder men were caught on one of the high window ledges, with the flames roaring all around them, and the dense smoke making them almost imperceptible from thes treet. Extension ladders were run up and firemen brought them down in an almost unconscious condition. One of the men, Lee Potter, was very severely burned.

At midnight one section of the walls fell, almost burying a number of firemen whose escape was miraculous and injuring several men. The walls crushed in the roof of the water supply house adjoining, and the city's loss will be heavy.

The cause of the fire is unknown. The properties of all three firms are destroyed beyond the hope of saving a dollar's worth. The losses are partly covered by insurance.

The firm of Wm. Campbell and company was a heavy loser by fire eight years ago when its plant was destroyed.

Good skating at Long Pond.

ELECTRIC WIRE BROKEN.

An electric wire broke in Central street near the corner of Market, last night, shortly before midnight and it was nearly 1 o'clock before it was repaired. It was a live wire, but fortunately nobody came in contact with it.

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HOME CLUB WON

Highland Club Downed by Lawrence Men

The Home club of Lawrence paid a visit to the Highland club last evening and defeated the local team by a score of 5 to 2 in a contest, which included whist, billiards, pool and bowling.

It was the first contest of the inter-club tournament held in this city, and that a great deal of interest was taken in the result was indicated in the large crowd present and the closeness with which the different games were watched. Summarized the score was as follows: Billiards, Lowell, 1; Lawrence, 1; pool, Lawrence, 2; bowling, Lowell, 1; Lawrence, 2; whist, tie; total, Lawrence, 5; Lowell, 2.

The bowling contest was perhaps the most interesting and a large crowd watched the balls spinning down the alleys. There was no phenomenally good work and it was suggested that somebody must have forgotten to tip the alley boys. The game was close and exciting, however, as will be seen from the score, 2315 to 2305. Farrell of the Highland club was high man with a score of 150. The Lowell boys scored one point and the Home club two in the contest, each string won counting for one point.

Billiards had its share of attention and a number of good plays were seen. Wm. A. Read was pitted against James F. Lanigan of the Home club, and the Lowell man had the advantage from the start. He was in excellent form and when he had finished the allotted 150 points his opponent had 109. M. W. Morris scored an easy victory over W. H. Hawes at billiards, the Lowell man counting only 74 to the Home club man's 150.

At pool, Ashton Lee of the Home club won from Richard Charlton, 75 to 67, while E. H. Whittredge completed his 75 while his opponent, William Gray, was at 69. Whist was played by four members from each club. The Lowell men were Frank A. Smith, Fred A. Wilcox, Chester F. Smith and Daniel Frye. The Home club was represented by Dr. O. T. Howe, Henry Klous, William T. Kimball and J. D. Horne. Twenty-four hands were played and the score stood 10 to 10, a tie.

The bowling score was as follows:

HOME CLUB.

				Totals
Brown	120	160	161	449
Russell	172	170	132	474
Robinson	138	149	140	427
Sherman	158	157	142	457
Pond	133	158	160	451
Totals	780	772	755	2315

HIGHLAND CLUB.

Farrell	170	161	179	510
Murphy	158	157	140	455
Anderson	144	112	201	457
Swife	146	150	170	466
Barton	145	132	141	418
Totals	763	712	831	2305

At 10.30 supper was served in the club hall by the D. L. Page company and at a late hour the special conveyed the Lawrence party home.

Among the visitors were: Ashton Lee, William Kimball, Dr. O. T. Howe, J. D. Horne, Leslie H. Sherman, H. O. Pond, J. C. Brown, B. F. Robinson, R. A. Day, Dr. G. H. Elliott, James F. Lanigan, Edgar J. Whitredge, T. F. Lanagan, O. A. Keneick, Dr. C. W. Partridge, Dr. N. B. Russell, J. K. Norwood, K. S. Norwood, E. Frank Page, R. W. Priestman, Wm. Lord, Fred H. Sargent, Henry Klous, John H. Greene, W. L. Huntress, W. D. Currier, Arthur E. Colby.

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PROBATE COURT.

To the heirs-at-law, next of kin, and all other persons interested in the estate of Maria Fallon, late of Lowell, in said county, deceased.

Whereas, a certain instrument purporting to be the last will and testament of said deceased has been presented to said court for probate, by Annie E. Fallon, who prays that letters of administration with the will annexed, may be issued to her, or some other suitable person, the executor named in said will having declined the trust.

You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court to be held at Cambridge in said county of Middlesex, on the second day of January, A. D., 1900, at nine o'clock in the forenoon to show cause, if any you have, why the same should not be granted.

And said petitioner is hereby directed to give public notice thereof, by publishing this citation once in each week for three successive weeks, in The Lowell Sun, a newspaper published in Lowell, the last publication to be one day, at least, before said Court, and by mailing, post-paid, or delivering a copy of this citation to all known persons interested in the estate, seven days, at least, before said Court.

Witness, Charles J. McIntire, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this twenty-second day of December, in the year one thousand eight hundred and ninety-nine.

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REP. MYERS RECORD.

The Haverhill Gazette is determined to prove one thing at least in regard to Representative Myers and his candidacy for the speakership. Myers claims to be a good republican when seeking republican votes and when seeking democratic votes, he claims to be as much of a democrat as a republican. The Gazette furnishes an abstract from his political record which proves him to be neither a democrat nor a republican. It is as follows:

"On Monday, Feb. 25, 1895, the bill for the prevention of false impersonation of voters (House 769) was read a third time, and after a debate the yeas and nays were ordered to the question of passing the bill to be engrossed, the bill being rejected. Mr. J. J. Myers of Cambridge voted No!

This bill was inspired by Mr. Hutchinson as the result of the following resolution, passed by the house of representatives June 6, 1894:

Whereas, Upon due investigation, it is proven conclusively that there was "concerted action to corrupt the election" held on November 7, 1893, in the 17th Suffolk district: that there was a "systematic attempt to register minors and to have them vote, and that there was a concerted action to secure non-residents and other parties," that votes were cast by persons who "could not read or write" and who were not within the statutory exemptions; that there were "instances of personation of voters who were either absent from the city or who were denied the right to vote because that prerogative had been exercised for them before they claimed it; that there was "personation of those who could not vote, because of their prior engagements in penal institutions of the commonwealth;" that "a number of those claiming residence in the stables at the rear of number 122 Harrison avenue" were not entitled to vote, and "therefore their votes were thrown;" that the "illegal votes" above classified were "not a spontaneous growth," but were "the results of careful cultivation;" that the sitting members were guilty of issuing, in the course of their campaign a circular misrepresenting the petitioner, Hutchinson, as to his record upon certain public questions as a member of the previous legislature, a statement proven to be false, upon a question vitally affecting the campaign—an act which admits negligence of the election officers of precinct five in the multiplication of ballots with respect to representatives that a large number of ballots "were so multiplied—marked in the compartments reserved for representatives with extra marks, tending to render void the expression of the voter in that one respect—the grossest outrage that could be committed upon the elective franchise;" and

Whereas, It is impossible to eliminate the fraud and to determine whether any persons were lawfully elected to the House in said district; and the title of the sitting members to seats in the House, is impeached by "proof of gross and varied frauds committed in their interest in said election:

Resolved: That the seat now occupied by James H. Doyle, as representative from the 17th Suffolk district, is hereby declared vacant.

This resolution is quoted in full to show its nature as well as to state that Mr. J. J. Myers voted against its adoption, as he voted against the bill growing out of it. But this is not the only evidence of the cordial ties of Mr. Myers' judgment, and his official opinion, to the public welfare. He voted against a bill (House 1251) to provide for the greater safety of railroad employees, a bill recommended by the commission of railroads, and when it came up again he voted against it.

On Monday, March 11, 1895, Mr. J. J. Myers voted against a bill for limiting eight hours a day's work for state, county, city and town employes.

On Monday, April 8, 1895, the bill for the better protection of grade crossings (House 597) was further considered and on the question of the rejection of the bill Mr. J. J. Myers voted Yes!

On Monday, June 3, 1895, the bill relative to the preference of veterans for employment in the public service (House No. 135) was further considered. On the question "shall the bill pass notwithstanding the objections of his excellency, the governor," Mr. J. J. Myers voted in the negative.

On Thursday, April 1, 1896, an engrossed bill relative to the hours of labor of women and minors was up in the final passage. The "yeas" and "nays" were ordered on the question of enactment, and Mr. J. J. Myers voted against it.

On Monday, Feb. 5, 1897, the bill relative to the labor of women and minors (House 481) was further considered, the question being on ordering it to a third reading. Mr. J. J. Myers voted No!

On Tuesday, March 2, 1897, the bill to enable cities and towns to manufacture and distribute gas and electricity for municipal purposes (House No. 57) was further considered: the question being on ordering it to a third reading, Mr. J. J. Myers voted No!

Monday, March 8, 1897: Ordered, That a joint special committee, to consist of three members of the senate, with such as the house may join, be appointed forthwith to examine into the causes of the explosion in the subway, at the junction of Boylston and Tremont streets. The said committee shall have authority to send for persons and papers, to summon witnesses and employ a stenographer.' On the question of the adoption of the order, Mr. J. J. Myers voted No!

Monday, May 17, 1897: Ordered, That a special committee, to be composed of seven members of the house, be appointed to investigate the subject of trusts and monopolies, their operation in this commonwealth and their influence on its financial, commercial and industrial interests, and to ascertain the names of corporations doing business in this commonwealth contrary to the provisions of chapter 551 of the acts of the year 1894. Said committee shall report the result of their investigation, in print to the general court at the opening of its next session, embodying in such report a statement of their conclusions, together with such recommendations as to desirable legislation by congress or by the legislature of this commonwealth as they may deem proper. Said committee shall be furnished with a room in the state house, shall be supplied with stationery and papers, may employ a stenographer, and necessary clerical assistance, and may, if they deem necessary, hold sittings in different parts of the commonwealth. The necessary expenses of the committee, incurred in the discharge of its duties, shall be paid from the treasury of the commonwealth. On the question of the adoption of the order, as amended, the yeas and nays were ordered, and Mr. J. J. Myers of Cambridge voted No!

A DEMOCRATIC OPPORTUNITY.

The 72 democrats in the legislature will this year have an opportunity to build up their party and do much to aid in the election of Robert Treat Paine as governor next year. The republican party is broken into factions and now that comparative harmony has been restored in the ranks of the democracy, by united action in the legislature they can solidify the party throughout the state.

There is a growing sentiment against the present administration at Washington on account of the war, the trusts and the financial legislation. By judicious action the democrats in the legislature can appeal to the public in a manner that will strengthen their party and weaken their opponents, so that next year at the national election the democratic vote in this state will be largely increased.

"The blood of Lawton is upon the hands of some of his own countrymen. That such a leader and so many men should fall in an insurrection kept alive by men who claim to be Americans, men who claim to be the only true patriots, is enough to drive the country to madness.

Millions of American men and women are pointing their fingers to their fellows who are responsible for Lawton's death, crying, Shame! Shame! Shame!

Their heads ought to be bowed down low.

It is an accursed record."—Nashua Telegraph.

It is cheering to find even one republican paper willing to place the responsibility for the Philippine war where it properly belongs—with the republican party—the imperialists who entered upon the war without any authority from congress.

Congressman Moody succeeded in getting an appropriation of $10,000 for improving the Merrimack river. As the amount will effect but little of the improvement necessary, it is to be hoped that he will have an additional appropriation to improve the river as far as Lowell. It might do Congressman Knox no harm if he would stop shouting for imperialism long enough to help Congressman Moody in getting more money to improve the beautiful Merrimack.

When a large number of drunks line up before Judge Hadley in police court and the police officers take the witness stand to testify against the prisoners, it would be interesting to determine just how far the police are responsible for the drunkenness which they affect to put down. Why do they permit the liquor saloons to do business openly, as they have formerly done under license, in violation of the no-license law? If they enforced the law there would be fewer drunks and fewer in police court.

The police pension act has been adopted at city hall as an economic measure, presumably to reduce the tax rate. In order to get the tax rate down to a normal figure perhaps the municipal economists will find it expedient to grant pensions to the employes of all other city departments. This is a new wrinkle in political economy which should be brought to the attention of Quincy of Boston, Pingree of Michigan and Jones of Toledo, O., without delay.

The great Duke of Marlborough is to keep up the honor of his paternal name by going to fight the Boers. He will stop a bullet just as well as an ordinary soldier, but we opine he will take much greater care to keep out of the way of the bullets. Marlborough is taking with him a squad of men to stand between him and danger, so that he will not be without a body guard in front of him.

Mayor Littlefield of Chelsea made a square attempt to remove Chief of Police Drury, but the aldermen say nay. Now if the people believe the mayor was right they will remove every one of those aldermen at the first opportunity.

The article in another column on the evils of cigarette smoking will be found of interest as showing the evil effects of the habit and the manner in which the law prohibiting the sale of cigarettes to minors is violated.

The British march to Pretoria will be interrupted by a series of well defended fortresses to take, which will be more difficult than crossing the Tugela river under fire.

It is worthy Boer strategy to employ British ships to transport flour from the United States to Rotterdam to be reshipped to Delagoa Bay for the Transvaal.

One class of experts can prove that Molineux is guilty. Another that he is innocent. This expert testimony invariably goes to the side that pays cost for it.

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CAUSE AND EFFECT, or THE STORY OF THE CIGARETTE.

CIGARETTE HABIT

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PARALYZES THE BRAINS OF THE BOYS

What Agent Richardson Says of it

As it does not appear to be generally known that there is a law against the sale or giving of cigarettes to minors under sixteen years, it may be well to remind some people that such a law exists and reads as follows:

"Chapter 52, Acts of 1895, Section 1. No person shall sell any cigarette, snuff or tobacco in any of its forms to any person under sixteen years of age.

Section 2. No person other than the minor's parents or guardian shall give any cigarette, snuff or tobacco in any of its forms to any minor under sixteen years of age.

Penalty not exceeding $50."

The dealer who sells cigarettes to a minor is not the only person who is liable to prosecution; but a person who gives a cigarette to a boy under sixteen years of age may be prosecuted just as well as the person who sells them. The law, however, has never been really enforced although in the spring of 1898 Agent Richardson of the Humane society started out to put a stop to the selling of cigarettes to minors and would have been very successful were it not for the unjust criticisms he got for trying to enforce the law. He had evidence against fifteen well known dealers and was about to summon them into court, but seeing he was not being supported by the people of the city he refused to prosecute the dealers and has not bothered any of them since. Previous to dropping those fifteen cases however, Agent Richardson had two dealers summoned into court and both were fined.

They were tried before Judge Hadley on the first day of April, 1898. The defendant in one of the cases was Eloise Parent, a woman apparently about 40 years of age and who managed a small store at 557 Middlesex street. She pleaded not guilty to the charge of illegally selling cigarettes. Agent Richardson testified in substance that the Humane society had received numerous complaints from parents and teachers of public schools that the defendant had been selling cigarettes to children under the legal age and he had no difficulty in learning the truth of the charges. Accompanied by one E. W. Huntington, he visited the store of the defendant, taking with him a boy named Louis Bram, who was about eight years of age. He gave the boy ten cents with which to purchase a box of cigarettes and the lad had no difficulty in procuring a box for which he paid five cents. This purchase was made in the presence of Agent Richardson and Mr. Huntington. Mr. Huntington testified in corroboration of Agent Richardson and the Bram boy also testified. He testified that he gave the defendant a ten cent piece and called for a box of cigarettes. She gave him a box and told him to put the cigarettes in his pocket until he got outside.

The woman denied that she sold the boy any, declaring that she could not have done so, for she never sold to minors. Her story didn't go with the court however, and she was ordered to pay a fine of $15.

Joseph B. Russel, who kept a store at 481 Middlesex street, was then arraigned on a similar charge. The evidence was the same as in the former case and he was also found guilty and fined $15. He admitted making the sale, but said he thought the cigarettes were for Agent Richardson and his friend or he would not have sold them. Agent Richardson said that the mother of the Bram boy, who also testified in the former case, told him that her boy had been made stupid from the excessive use of cigarettes.

The court at that time claimed he had sufficient evidence against the fifteen other dealers, but he did not think he would be justified in pushing the matter so long as the citizens of the city would not stand by him.

It is not only the duty of Agent Richardson to try and stop the sale of cigarettes to minors, but it is also the duty of every police officer and parent, who knows the extent and results of the cigarette evil. The only possible way for human bodies to grow is by good healthy blood and no boy can afford to poison his system by smoking cigarettes. Every boy who smokes cigarettes is getting slowly poisoned. If you should put a leech on an old smoker to draw a little blood, the leech would be killed by the tobacco poison.

It is Agent Richardson's intention to again open war on the dealers who sell to minors, and it is to be hoped that he will be assisted this time by the citizens instead of criticised, for it is an evil that should be wiped out and the only way to do this is to prosecute dealers who see fit to violate the law, and it might also be well to arrest a few persons who give cigarettes to minors, for by so doing they are also violating the law. If this is done, it is more than probable that it would do away with much of this cigarette smoking by boys.

Speaking on the matter yesterday, Agent Richardson said to The Sun reporter:

"I think that the only way to put an end to this cigarette evil is to have the law forbidding the sale or giving of cigarettes to minors under the age of sixteen years thoroughly enforced. If a few of the leading dealers are brought into court and fined it will scare the other dealers and they will stop the business very quickly. It is my intention to again try and have the law enforced, and I hope I won't be criticised the way I was in 1898, when I had two dealers fined in the police court for illegal sale and was about to prosecute fifteen others. This time I will go in and fight them to a finish, for this cigarette evil must be done away with. If any person sees a dealer make a sale of cigarettes to a minor he can have him prosecuted, every citizen has the same right as I have and this is a matter where they should make good use of such a privilege.

"The boy who smokes cigarettes is indolent, stupid, absent-minded, and the habit predisposes him to other bad habits and even leads him to crime. You will find most of the boys who are convicted of larceny are inveterate cigarette smokers. The boy who smokes is slowly digging his own grave, he is gradually getting poisoned. Students who use cigarettes are always behind those who do not in physical strength and in scholarship. I have known cases where boys have been made almost idiotic through the constant use of cigarettes.

"I think that any dealer who sells cigarettes to a minor should be prosecuted. I have received many complaints from parents regarding the suspicion of their boys on account of cigarette smoking. One woman told me that her boy is in the habit of smoking until he is overcome and he will then lie down and sleep off his stupor."

If you have not begun the habit of smoking, you have only to be brave and resolute to resist all temptations to begin. It requires no great courage to do what is easy to do, and it is real bravery to withstand the temptation of those who seem to be friends, and to refuse to follow, if bad examples are set even by good men. If any boy reading this says to himself, "I am in no danger, I only smoke a little," then let him give up that little for one week. If it is easy for him to do that, of course it would be foolish for him to begin again. If it is hard to give up the habit for one week, he cannot help knowing that he is being caught in the toils of a dangerous habit, and must get out at any cost if he would be the man he should be. If you want to be good, true, strong men, mentally and morally you must let cigarettes alone, for the habit blunts the moral as well as the physical sensibilities. There is what is known as a tobacco heart which is recognized as a species of heart disease by doctors and very dangerous.

ANOTHER DEMERS.

The family of Louis Demers were somewhat apprehensive last Wednesday when the news of the death of Louis Demers in Providence was brought to them inasmuch as the head of the Lowell household is at present employed in Providence. However, a visit by a member of the family Thursday dispelled all doubts and the family are much rejoiced over the pleasant news.

ARMY OFFICERS

Killed in Duels at a German Coffee House

By Associated Press to The Sun.

BERLIN, Dec. 30.—There has been a triangular duel, or rather duels, between three German army officers, as a result of a Christmas row in a coffee house in Muthan en.

Lieutenant Schlabitz was insulted by Lieutenants Ernst and Kessling, and challenged the pair. A military court of honor arranged the preliminaries.

The conditions were that the first shot should be at fifty yards, and each shot after that two yards closer range. This was to continue until one or the other was disabled. Schlabitz to have the first shot. If successful in disabling his antagonist the other man was to take his place.

Lieutenant Schlabitz's first shot wounded Kessling in the foot. Kessling replied, hitting Schlabitz in the breast and fatally wounding him.

Another duel was fought in Allenstein, East Prussia. Lieutenant Strelow was killed by Lieutenant Ran.

MISS FAULKNER A BRIDE

EX-SENATOR'S DAUGHTER WEDS DR. WILLIAM WHITE.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

PARKERSBURG, W. Va., Dec. 30.—Dr. William White of Nashville, Tenn., and Miss Jane Lynn Faulkner, daughter of ex-Senator C. J. Faulkner, were married at Bellville, the Faulkner home, near Martinsburg, Thursday night, the Rev. F. M. Woods of Martinsburg and the Rev. T. DeWitt Talmage of Washington officiating.

Miss Fallie Faulkner, sister of the bride, was maid of honor, and R. V. Boyd of Nashville best man. Among the bridesmaids were Miss Katherine Reed, daughter of ex-Speaker Reed; Miss Mary Paxton of New York, and Miss Maud Talmage of Washington. The costumes, decorations and gifts were the richest ever seen in West Virginia.

CURRENT COMMENT.

Brockton Enterprise: General Joubert, the successful Boer commander, is said to have served as a colonel under Stonewall Jackson during the war of the rebellion. Another tribute to the value of American business training!

Indianapolis Sun: A mayor is supposed to see that the laws are enforced. That is one of the chief reasons why a city has such an officer. It appears that in some respects the present incumbent has in some way revised the meaning of the charter and has been going to it that the laws are not enforced.

Manchester Union: Secretary Gage is working his typewriter even more industriously in offering explanations than when he assumed the attitude of defender of the president's anti-civil service order.

Fall River Globe: The only notable instance of strategic skill being displayed by any one on the British side thus far in this war has been by Winston Spencer Churchill, who appears to have outwitted the Boers and made his escape from his prison pen. And he was a non-combatant.

AN ADVANCE IN WAGES

Together with an advance in wool has sent the price of wool goods up. In anticipation of this advance we have laid in an unusual large stock of goods. The best investment you can make is to buy a black or colored dress at old prices while they last. Commencing Monday, January 1, we will place these goods in stock at prices you will not get them for again in many years to come. We do this to start the new year and a new century in good customers. Besides we want the money. If you want a mohair or brilliantine do not fail to come at once and see our bargains. Also crepons, cheviots, prunellas, satins, henriettas etc., go into the sale. Linings are also included. Now is your last chance to buy a black or colored dress at old prices.

J. V. KEYES & CO.
The Black Goods House of Lowell.
J. V. Keyes. J. S. Banford.

LAND PURCHASED

Middlesex North Buys 9400 Feet of Land

ADJOINING THE PRESENT GROUNDS

Small Sales of Real Estate Booming

The Middlesex North Agricultural Society yesterday purchased 10,505 feet of land adjoining the fair grounds from the Bleachery company, the sale being made through the agency of William E. Putter & Son for the sum of $700.

The society, it is said, will soon begin extensive improvements which may include the lengthening of the race track, which is at present short a few rods of half a mile.

The land purchased yesterday is a triangular strip bordering on the upper end of the fair grounds and has street with a frontage of 50 feet on Gorham street and extending back to the railroad tracks, where it has 180 feet frontage.

A peculiar thing about the sale is the fact that a portion of it extends into the fair grounds and it was only a week or more ago that the Middlesex North people discovered the fact. For years this land had been used as the property of the Middlesex North, within a fence erected by the society.

The strip has been in the market for some time and several speculators have been after it. Mr. Putter held it, however, not wishing to crowd the Middlesex North society. The situation was such, however, that it was absolutely necessary for the society to purchase it if it wished to continue to run the fair grounds. Once the strip was sold to parties other than the Middlesex North the fair grounds would be destroyed. For the strip cuts 15 ft. into the race track. At a recent meeting the society decided to purchase the land and yesterday the purchase was made at the comparatively reasonable figure mentioned above.

With the increased space if the society desires it can make the fair grounds among the finest in the state. With an improved track, which is the principal need, the grounds will be in great demand and soon pay for the additional money expended upon them.

Mr. Putter states that there have been no great real estate transactions since Mr. Sirk started the city by his wholesale purchases, but he states the small sales of real estate have picked up lately. This is taken as an indication of the more prosperous financial condition of the men of moderate means, the working men whose ambition upon acquiring a little money, is to own a home.

BRACUT

It was a happy company of relatives and old time friends that gathered at the homestead of the pastor of the Hillside church, Bracut, Rev. J. P. Richardson, last Thursday.

Invitations had been issued by a neighbor and friends and the responses showed the continued interest that former classmates and friends had in Mr. Richardson. Many letters with substantial gifts came from those at a distance or who on account of other engagements were not able to be present while the relatives and other friends showed their regard by their presence and their kind remembrances. Mrs. Murray of New Haven and Miss Craighead of Malden, sisters of Mrs. Richardson, with their daughters, were among the guests.

The occasion was delightfully informal and light refreshments were served during the afternoon and evening. Music with piano and violin was rendered at intervals by Miss Anna Hall of Boston and Miss Mattie Maxim of No. Cambridge and was an added charm to the occasion. At times it would be one of Beethoven's Sonatas and a little later, the soft strains of "The Old Oaken Bucket" or "Auld Lang Syne" and between the dark and the daylight, "Money Musk" rang clear and strong through the house. A lady who was present remarked with dancing eyes, "Don't I remember that!" She had probably danced in the hall of the Gen. William Hildreth house across the common, 60 or more years ago.

The Richardson house has been in the family for three generations and it has been thoroughly renovated but no departure has been made from the original plan, though many conveniences have been added. The guests between 50 and 60 were given an opportunity to inspect the various rooms and were delighted with its quaintness and convenience. Many wishes were expressed that the family who were its present owners might have many years of happiness and usefulness before them.

DARTMOUTH WON

WINCHESTER Y. M. C. A. DEFEATED AT BASKET BALL.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

WINCHESTER, Dec. 30.—The Dartmouth College basket ball team added one more to its string of victories by defeating the Winchester Y. M. C. A. team in the gymnasium here last evening, 19 to 9. An immense crowd saw the game, which was well contested. The visitors were somewhat heavier than the local team and played a very speedy game. Emerson and Crawford put in some good work for the Winchester team while Hines, who took the place of Allen in the second half, made some fine plays. The summary:

Dartmouth		Winchester
Newman, rf		lg, Blank
Abbott, lf		rg Armstrong
Hubbard, c		c, Hall
Craig, rg		lf Crawford
Hines, lg		rf, Emerson

Score—Dartmouth 19, Winchester 9. Goals from field Hubbard 3, Abbott 2, Crawford 2, Blank, Emerson, Craig, Newman 2. Goals from fouls Newman 2, Abbott. Fouls, Crawford 2, Craig 2, Abbott, Hubbard, Hines, Armstrong, Emerson, Blank, Newman. Umpire and referee, Archibald and Durand alternately. Scorers, Payne and Hines. Timers, Rice and Russell. Time 20m periods.

SUIT TO RECOVER

$600,000 VALUE OF ORE ALLEGED TO HAVE BEEN TAKEN.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

BUTTE, Mont., Dec. 30.—The Heaton and Montana Mining company yesterday brought suit in the district court against the Montana Ore Purchasing company to recover $600,000 value of ore alleged to have been taken from veins of the Pennsylvania claim by the defendant concern in the last four years.

TWO PLAGUE CASES

REPORTED BY SURGEON CARMICHAEL AT HONOLULU.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 30.—The following telegram has been received by the surgeon general of the United States marine hospital service from Surgeon D. A. Carmichael at Honolulu:

Honolulu, H. I., Dec. 29, via Victoria, B. C., Dec. 28.—There are two cases reported plague at Honolulu; two deaths to December 12. No new cases to December 26. Quarantine against infection raised December 19th."

Surgeon General Wyman in referring to the dispatch said he did not consider the situation critical in any respect.

TOM MORIARTY

Old Lowell Fighter Put to Sleep

IN THE 10TH. ROUND BY KID PARKER

Other Boxing Bouts Last Night

By Associated Press to The Sun.

LEADVILLE, Col. Dec. 30.—Kid Parker of Denver knocked out Tom Moriarty of Lowell, Mass., last night in the 10th round of a 20-round bout. Parker won on his superior hitting powers, and the inability of Moriarty to successfully block the terrible right and left jabs. The Lowell man was game, however, and took a severe drubbing.

Early in the 10th round Parker landed a left hook on Moriarty's wind, and the latter went down and out.

HAMILTON BUTTED BROAD.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

NEW YORK, Dec. 30.—Kid Broad of Cleveland got a well-earned decision over Jack Hamilton of Troy, through the latter's foul tactics, at the Broadway A. C. last night.

Broad was always on the aggressive, and Hamilton made a more than good defence. Round after round, from the first to the fifth, Hamilton gave and took with equal favor, but in the sixth he was knocked flat on his back, and the gong saved him. From this to the end of the bout Broad spread it over his man.

In the 21st round Hamilton, seeing that the odds were against him, tried foul tactics. In the following round he deliberately butted twice, and the referee disqualified him and declared in favor of Broad.

In the opening bout, George Janyen of New York, defeated Joe Hopkins, colored, of Brooklyn, in the fifth round.

WHITE THE VICTOR.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

SIOUX CITY, Ia., Dec. 30.—The bout between Tommy White and Dick Green last night resulted in a decision for White. George Siler was referee.

The men went the full 15 rounds, and although in the second Green scored a clean knockdown, it was not a fast fight. White clearly had the better of it on points.

HURST PICKS THE RIGHT MAN.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

DETROIT, Mich., Dec. 30.—Referee Tim Hurst pleased 1500 spectators last night when he gave Curley Supples of Buffalo the decision over Emil Sanchez, the "Cuban wonder," at the end of their 10-round bout before the Cadillac A. C. Supples had the better of all the later rounds except the seventh, and had Sanchez reeling in the ninth.

Jimmy Reeder of Altoona, Pa., lost a decision to Frank Stackhouse of Detroit in 10 rounds.

"TURKEY POINT" SMITH BEATEN.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

CHICAGO, Ill., Dec. 30.—Danny McMahon of Detroit, was given the decision over "Turkey Point" Bill Smith of Philadelphia in a six-round go before the Fort Dearborn A. C. last night. "Chicago" Jack Daly and Jack Lewis, also of Chicago, light-weights, fought six hot rounds to a draw.

KNOCKED OUT IN A ROUND.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

SYRACUSE, N. Y., Dec. 30.—Arthur Jones of Washington put out "Kid" Goulette of Rochester in the first round of what was to have been a 10-round bout in this city last night, with a right swing on the jaw.

THE YEAR'S WORK

Financial Hopes Have Been Adequately Realized

SAYS BRADSTREET'S ANNUAL TRADE REVIEW

Orders in for Six Months Ahead

By Associated Press to The Sun.

NEW YORK, Dec. 30.—Bradstreet's yearly review of trade today says:

Rarely have sanguine commercial and financial hope or predictions found such adequate realization as they did during the year now drawing to its close. At least such is the conclusion which can easily be drawn from a close study of the year's trade reports of the usual measurements of business development. Linked with an immense business and a record-breaking production in nearly all lines of business and industry, except, perhaps, in some products of the agricultural interest, there was with it an advance of staple values either of which alone would have made the year notable and combined they have served to establish the year as a record-breaker and set new standards by which succeeding years will be measured.

Failure statistics point to all the above favorable features being reflected in the smallest number reported for 17 years past.

In industrial affairs the year has been one of enormous expansion. Certainly nothing like the general advance in wages of industrial employes has been witnessed for many years and this has been accomplished with a minimum of friction entitling the year to special mention on this if on no other account.

The close of the year finds manufacturers' order books filled from three to six months ahead in nearly all lines.

Notwithstanding smaller exports of agricultural products during the calendar year, there was such an expansion in our manufactured exports that the entire export trade of the year will considerably exceed that of the last calendar year which was the heaviest recorded and make the year no less notable in the line of foreign than in domestic trade with a total of exports a little less than $1,250,000,000 an aggregate which if reached, will mark a gain of 3 per cent. over the record total of 1898. Imports have naturally shown a marked revival and if the gain for the 11 months is maintained for December a total little below $800,000,000 may be expected which would guarantee a total foreign trade well in excess of $2,000,000,000, an amount never before equalled.

REV. MR. TURNER

TO BECOME PASTOR OF ST. ANNE'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH ROXBURY.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

BOSTON, Dec. 30.—Rev. Robert M. Turner of Bristol, R. I., has accepted a call to become rector of St. Anne's Episcopal church of Roxbury, vice Rev. W. J. W. Finley, resigned by reason of ill health. Father Turner was educated in the schools of Providence and was graduated in the class of 1[illegible] of Brown University.

TERMS OF PEACE

On Which Aguinaldo May Surrender

HIS DELEGATES IN THIS COUNTRY

And Will Seek an Interview With McKinley

GEN. LAWTON A BRAVE MAN

Says the Chairman of the Delegation

By Associated Press to The Sun.

PHILADELPHIA, Penn., Dec. 29.—"If President McKinley will decide on anything like reasonable terms for the surrender of Aguinaldo and the Filipinos under him, and will inform the Filipino congress through us, its representatives, in this country, the Filipinos will lay down their arms within the next month or two and the war will end," said Jassup T. de Franandez, who claims to be one of the three special representatives of Aguinaldo and the Filipino congress, as he was about to take the 3.10 train for New York at the Columbia avenue station yesterday afternoon.

Franandez, with two others, Lucio le M. Lejera and Juliet Francisco Lopez, were appointed at a meeting of the Filipino congress as special representatives to come to this country, and if possible have a personal interview with President McKinley.

Their mission is principally to ascertain from the president his views regarding the war in the Philippines and if possible learn from him if he is desirous of allowing Aguinaldo to surrender on certain terms that they will offer.

While in Washington the three representatives are also to make a canvass of the members of the senate and house of representatives with the object of learning every member's attitude toward the administration and the Filipino war.

The three representatives arrived in New York on Christmas eve on the Campania from Liverpool. After reaching New York Franandez came to this city on a secret mission, and expected to join his two colleagues last night in New York. What he was doing here he refused to say, but he declared that he would make it public at the proper time.

The emissaries expect to leave for Washington either tomorrow or the day following, so that they can be there for the reopening of congress after the holidays. Franandez said he has several friends in this city, and that he stopped with them while here.

Pressed as to the nature of the overtures or terms he and the other representatives were to make, Franandez positively refused to divulge them. He admitted that the terms were the last and best that would ever be made to this country, and that they were only decided on after a very long and disagreeable session of the Filipino congress.

SHOT HIS WIFE

Morrison Took Her For a Burglar

By Associated Press to The Sun.

NEW YORK, Dec. 29.—Alfred Morrison, a professor of languages, mistook his wife for a burglar early today and shot her at their home in Mount Vernon, N. Y. The bullet entered her left shoulder and is lodged near the lung. She is in a critical condition. Mrs. Morrison exonerated her husband from all blame.

DEATH SENTENCE

Imposed on William Neufield for Murder

By Associated Press to The Sun.

NEW YORK, Dec. 29.—The jury in the trial of William Neufield, for the killing of his cousin, Mrs. Nathan Kronman, returned a verdict of guilty of murder in the first degree today. He was sentenced to die during the week beginning February 12th.

The body of Mrs. Kronman was found by her husband, August 7 last, and cut and a bloody hatchet was and cut and ab loody hatchet was found. Kronman himself was at first arrested on suspicion of having committed the murder, but he was exonerated at the inquest.

MILLER COAL SYSTEM.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 29.—The naval board which conducted the trial of the Miller coal system, has submitted its report to Admiral Bradford, chief of the equipment bureau. The board conducted these experiments with the battleship Massachusetts, and the collier Marcellus, the battleship towing the collier, which supplied the former with coal in six-hundred-pound bags by means of the towing lines, which made an aerial trolley.

The tests were conducted under varying conditions of weather, and in the opinion of the board were eminently successful. The device transported about twenty tons an hour safely.

MORE INSPECTOR-GENERALS.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 29.—Inspector-General Breckinridge has prepared the text of a proposed bill for the increase of the inspector-general's department to be furnished by Secretary Root. The bill provides that the number of inspectors general shall be increased from 13 to 25 for rank as follows:

One as brigadier-general; eight as colonels; eight as lieutenant-colonels, and eight as majors.

NEW TAX

IMPOSED ON OWNERS OF MINES.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

PRETORIA, Monday, Dec. 25.—General Schalkburger reports under date of December 24d, that trains are now running to Colenso indicating that the Boers have built a connection around Ladysmith.

General Cronje reports from the Modder River December 24th that the Boers captured two British forts at Kuruman, December 17th.

It is rumored that General Methuen's big naval gun has exploded.

The Transvaal government has promulgated a new gold tax law, by which individuals and companies working their own mines are taxed 20 per cent. of the output, while mines worked by the government will pay 50 per cent. Suspended mines will pay 20 per cent. on their probable output, calculated on three months workings. Reduced work will pay 20 per cent. of their net profits. The law is retroactive to October 11th.

BUBONIC PLAGUE

Chinatown District Has Been Placed in Quarantine

THE NATIONAL GUARD ON DUTY

Health Regulations to Prevent Spread of Disease

By Associated Press to The Sun.

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Dec. 29.—Mail advices to the Associated Press from Honolulu give additional details of the bubonic plague which has appeared there and indicate that the conditions are not very alarming. Five deaths have occurred, one native and four Chinese. No deaths have occurred since December 12.

A quarantine system for island vessels was established and a district practically co-extensive with Chinatown was put in quarantine. Volunteer inspectors were called for and the work of cleaning this district was at once begun. The next day the national guard was called out and has since been doing duty, guarding the quarantined district.

Chinatown, the seat of the trouble is now undergoing thorough cleaning and it is believed that the scourge has been stamped out. It is thought that the germs of the plague were brought from Kobe, Japan, on the Norwegian steamer Thylenia, which arrived at Honolulu.

HEALTH REGULATIONS.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Dec. 29.—Mail advices from Honolulu to the Associated Press regarding the bubonic plague situation, say:

President Dole, while realizing the seriousness of the situation, does not believe there is much cause for alarm. The president thinks there is no danger to those whose houses, persons and food are cleanly. He has unbounded confidence in the ability of the board of health to quickly stamp out the disease.

Some physicians claim that the disease is not the black plague. Public opinion is divided, many believing that if the plague were present in Honolulu the inhabitants of Chinatown would be carried off by the hundreds on account of the filthy condition of the district. Another interesting phase of the case is the fact that no Japanese has been attacked. They live in large numbers in the quarantined district. The council of state met in extraordinary session on December 12, and appropriated $250,000 for immediate use by the board of health in combating the plague. The following regulations regarding inter-island steamers was adopted by the board of health:

"No steamers will be allowed to leave the port of Honolulu for any other port in the islands except the island of Oahu, without first undergoing a quarantine of seven days. No Chinese or Japanese freight of any description will be allowed shipment."

The outside islands have been notified of the situation in Honolulu. All of the districts outside of Honolulu are in a clean condition and there is little danger that the plague will gain a foothold in the other islands.

The Sixth artillery has been quarantined against Honolulu. There are 200 men at Honolulu. They are confined strictly to camp and are not allowed to visit any other place. The National Guard has instructions to arrest any artilleryman found in town. This is at the request of Major Mills.

Col. Beck of the transport Warren has decided to heave her anchor at about noon on December 16, and steam away for Manila, leaving only island boats in quarantine. The time limit for development of the plague had not elapsed since the men of the Warren were on shore and all over the infected district, but the surgeons on board the vessel had some doubts that it was the plague. If cases develop, the Warren will not be far from port and can put back.

A HIGHWAYMAN

Killed While Trying to Hold up a Car

By Associated Press to The Sun.

SEATTLE, Wash., Dec. 29.—In an attempt to hold up a Ballard street car late last night, a highwayman was shot and killed. There were eight passengers aboard when two men wearing masks entered the car, on at the front and the other at the rear. One of the passengers, a man named Plympton, opened fire on the highwayman entering the car from the rear and three shots were returned. One broke Plympton's arm and another entered his breast.

A passenger standing on the front platform also took a hand in the shooting and fired on the robber at the front end of the car who at the first shot reeled from the car and took to the woods. After the firing on the rear end ceased, the second robber also took to the woods. Bullets passed through the clothing of two other passengers. The highwaymen secured nothing.

Shortly after midnight the police found near the scene of the hold-up the body of one of the robbers. He had been killed by a bullet from a passenger's pistol. The body is still unidentified.

CLERK OF COURT

Will Not Recognize Gov. Taylor's Appointees

By Associated Press to The Sun.

FRANKFORD, Ky., Dec. 29.—Samuel Shackleford, clerk of the court of appeals, whose duty it is under the election law to administer the oath of office to members of the board of elections, announces that he will not recognize the appointees of Governor Taylor, Messrs. Mackey and Cochrane. Messrs. Poynts and Fulton will elect a third member of the board in place of Ellis, resigned.

Messrs. Emil C. Lavigeuer, Emil J. Borjes and P. L. Gregoire of the Schumann String Quartette, will assist in the oratorios of the Messiah at the People's Church, Columbus Avenue, in Boston, on New Year's night. The quartet will appear before the Middlesex Women's club New Year's afternoon.

The Salvation Army desires to thank all those who contributed to their Christmas dinner and helped to make it the grand success that it was. It wound up at 9.30 with a big salvation meeting and four souls seeking salvation.

CORNISH'S STORY

Principal Witness in Molineux Trial Called

A LETTER TO BERNARD WEFERS

Has Been Introduced Into the Trial

By Associated Press to The Sun.

NEW YORK, Dec. 29.—The proceedings in the Molineux trial were resumed today with John D. Adams on the witness stand. Bartow S. Weeks took up the cross-examination.

In the room was Felix Gallagher. He was under subpoena from the district attorney's office, and it is said that he might be called to the witness stand today.

Mr. Adams was asked if he brought with him as requested, the minutes of the house committee of the Knickerbocker Athletic club, of which he is secretary. He replied that he had, as he had with difficulty secured permission to bring them to the court, he asked that the books be placed in the custody of the court where they could be accessible to the jury. This was consented to. Mr. Adams said so far as he knew they were the original minutes of the committee.

Perusing the book of minutes, Mr. Weeks called to the attention of the witness the fact that a Mr. Race had been discharged at a certain meeting of the club. He asked if Mr. Adams knew that, and Mr. Osborne objected, the objection being sustained.

The attention of the witness was called to several entries made on the minute book, but Mr. Adams testified that he was not present at any of the meetings of the house committee. The witness told Mr. Weeks, in answer to questions, that he thought Molineux prepared the program for the amateur circus in the spring of 1897. He did not know if the program had been edited in any way before having been sent to the printer, but on being shown the program, said that some interlined marks in the paper were in his (Adams) writing. Mr. Weeks offered the paper to be marked for identification and Mr. Osborne asked to be allowed to see it, but Mr. Weeks refused.

Mr. Weeks handed to Mr. Adams a letter, asking, as he did so, that the witness state in whose handwriting it was. The witness examined the letter and said: "It is in my handwriting, but this letter has been stolen from my possession and it pertains to fraternity matters and has no relevancy whatever to this case, and I beg that the court exclude it from the case."

"Well," said Mr. Weeks, "is this gentleman a lawyer or a witness?"

There was a sharp wrangle between counsel over the admission of the letter to be marked for identification, but the court ruled that the letter be so marked and kept in the custody of the court clerk.

"I understand," said Mr. Weeks, "that no one will be permitted to see the letters."

"Certainly not," answered the recorder "it will be in custody of the court."

"Mr. Weeks can see anything I've got on earth," retorted Mr. Osborne, hotly.

Mr. Adams identified in turn several letters that were then marked for identification, to each one of which Mr. Osborne objected.

Mr. Weeks then showed the witness defendant exhibit 12, and exhibit "A," the poison package address, the former being a newspaper fac simile of the latter, and asked Mr. Adams when he had first seen them. He replied:

"Before the May grand jury."

Several of the state exhibits admitted specimens of the defendant's writing, were shown to Mr. Adams, who said he had seen many of them before; had placed them in an envelope and had shown them to Cornish as specimens of Molineux's handwriting. He said he got them from the files of the Knickerbocker Athletic club.

"Not from your own desk?"

"No, sir, only one or two of those scraps."

Mr. Weeks asked him how long he had studied Molineux's writing in conjunction with exhibit 12 the cut of the poison address, before he had shown them to Cornish. Adams replied that as soon as he saw the newspaper cut the resemblance between that and the defendant's writings struck him forcibly. He later said he saw the newspaper reproduction of the address before he procured any of Molineux's writing.

At this point Juror Foster asked the witness: "Are you a handwriting expert?"

"No, sir, I am not."

Mr. Weeks requested Mr. Adams to look at exhibit 12, the cut and the writings of Molineux that had struck him as bearing marks of resemblance and asked him to point out the resembling features.

"I found in Mr. Molineux's handwriting the words 'Knickerbocker Athletic Club' in exhibit 24, and 'Harry Cornish' in exhibit 20," the witness said. "Besides there were the letter of the 'I' and also the general irregularity of the defendant's handwriting."

"Now you have since learned," said Mr. Weeks, "that defendant exhibit 12 bears little or no resemblance to exhibit 'A.'"

"In my opinion," answered Mr. Adams, "it bears a very close resemblance."

Mr. Weeks then sat down and Mr. Osborne at once mentioned the question put by Mr. Weeks, as to why the witness had taken defendant's exhibit 12 and the Molineux writings to Cornish. "And I want to know, Mr. Adams, if at that time you bore in mind the death of Barnet?" said Mr. Osborne.

The court asked why this question was asked, and Mr. Osborne said he considered that he had a right to show that Mr. Adams knew of the feud that existed between Cornish and Molineux. The court ruled out the question.

Mr. Osborne then handed Mr. Adams Exhibit A the poison package address and asked if he knew the writing. Mr. Weeks was on his feet, shouting "We object, we object."

Before the court could rule, the witness answered "Yes."

"Whose is it?"

"We object!" shouted Mr. Weeks.

"Overruled," replied the court.

"It is in the handwriting of the defendant."

The court ruled that Mr. Weeks had made the witness identify writings and compare them, hence the prosecution should be given the same privilege.

"Mr. Adams," said Mr. Osborne, "have you made a study of the writing of Molineux?"

"I have."

"And do you feel certain he wrote Exhibit A (the poison package address)"

"Very certain."

"Now there is another man, Bustanoby, what did he think about the writing?"

"He thought Molineux wrote it."

"Were not Helles, Barnet, Cornish, Harpster and Molineux all in the club at the same time?"

"Yes."

"Who left first?"

"I think Helles."

"Who next?"

"Harpster."

"And then?"

"Molineux."

"Molineux left Barnet and Cornish in the club?"

"Yes."

"That's all, Mr. Adams."

Helles is the man who testified earlier in the case that he had written at the instigation of Molineux a letter to a Detroit drug firm making inquiries concerning Harpster.

Mr. Adams was excused and H. S. Cornish was recalled to the stand.

Mr. Cornish told Mr. Osborne that he had spoken of receiving the poison package to Mrs. Adams at the flat the day before he took the bottle home. He had lost the key to his desk at the club and had to break it open to get the bottle out. Cornish then resumed his narrative broken off yesterday at adjournment. He told of Dr. Hitchcock's coming and of his sending him, Cornish, for Dr. Potter. He said when the doctors came he was in the bath room retching violently. He showed Dr. Hitchcock the bottle and "the stuff." He described the actions of the doctor as he attended Mrs. Adams, but could not recall if Dr. Hitchcock tasted the "stuff in the bottle." The body lay on the lounge and Cornish said he realized how unpleasant that would be. When Dr. Hitchcock said he knew Assistant District Attorney McIntyre, witness and the doctor telephoned to the district attorney's office, but Mr. McIntyre was not in. Cornish went to Mr. McIntyre's office later and told him what had occurred. On the way down town on the train, Cornish said he had to leave the train five minutes because of the action of the poison he had taken.

He and McIntyre left the district attorney's office together and had a drink. Cornish went down town and notified his cousin, Louis H. Cornish, of the death of Mrs. Adams.

He then described his own illness, how he went to the club and sent for Dr. Phillips. Later that afternoon Detective Captain McClusky called on him and to the captain he made a statement.

The next day Cornish said he went down town to his office. Mr. Adams came in with a newspaper clipping purporting to be a fac simile of the address on the poison package. He did not know then where he got it. Cornish said that he knew Barnet, Harpster and Gallagher at the club and that he and Harpster were pretty good friends.

Mr. Osborne sat down and Mr. Weeks began his cross-examination.

Mr. Cornish said that when he came to New York he lived in a boarding house on West 44th street.

"Were you a married man then?"

"I was."

"Where was your wife?"

Mr. Osborne objected and was sustained.

"Did you know that Mr. and Mrs. Rogers were separated?" asked Mr. Weeks.

Mr. Osborne objected and was sustained.

"Do you know that you were the cause of their separation?" Mr. Weeks asked.

Mr. Osborne objected and was sustained.

The witness told Mr. Weeks that he received the package on the morning of the 24th of December, 1898. He was in the club the night before and knew that the package was not in his mail box during the night.

F. I. Finneran was in the room, and saw the package as witness placed it on his desk. Cornish could not remember the exact size of the box and could not tell just how it was tied, but knew the paper about it was not sealed. He loosed the wrapper and threw it into the waste paper basket underneath the desk.

Mr. Weeks questioned the witness as to the contents of the box. He told, and was then shown the exhibits in the case, comprising the poison package and identified them. He said he had never before seen a bottle of bromo-seltzer and had never taken that drug but once, that time being one Thanksgiving at the club. Witness repeated the story of taking the things out and showing them to people about the club. The portion of the wrapper containing the address he took with him, the bottle and the silver article remaining in his desk until the following Tuesday evening, he had never made a practice of going away from the desk and leaving it unlocked.

The witness said he did not think his desk was open on Monday, because he had lost his key Sunday night. It was found later on the floor of his room in the Adams flat and, he thought, returned to him on Friday night after Mrs. Adams' death. His desk was broken open Tuesday morning by the engineer and carpenter employed by the club.

Cornish was present when the desk was opened. It was broken open again the night of the 27th, having been fastened all day. He had no hesitancy in leaving the desk only partially fastened because the door of the office was locked.

Mr. Weeks after questioning the witness about the bottle and bottle-holder, and similar questions, read a newspaper clipping, that Cornish had given to the press shortly after Mrs. Adams' death and in which he said that when he was asked to give some of the bromo seltzer to Mrs. Adams he went into Mrs. Rogers' room and got the bottle from her dresser.

In his direct examination Cornish said that he had the bottle in his room. In answer to Mr. Weeks he said he had made a mistake in his statement to the press at that time, and that he now knew the bottle was in his desk.

"What has refreshed your memory on this matter?" asked Mr. Weeks.

"Conversations I have had about it," answered Cornish.

"With whom?"

"With Mrs. Rogers."

Mr. Weeks produced two glasses such as are commonly used for table purposes, a spoon and an empty bromo seltzer bottle. One of the glasses was nearly full of water. Cornish was requested to sit at the end of a table, and holding these utensils so the jurors could see his operations, go through the performance of opening the bottle, show how he knocked out the contents of the bottle into the glass, how he poured the water from one glass into the other, being as careful as he could to get the amount of water approximately the same.

Cornish went through his pantomimic performance and then Mr. Weeks asked him how much of the dose Mrs. Adams drank. He poured out water from the glass, leaving about what he thought she drank. He was then asked to illustrate if possible how much he drank from the same glass and said: "Well, I don't know exactly. I took a good big swallow."

"Can't you show us how much you took?" asked Mr. Weeks.

The witness then poured water out of the glass until he thought there remained about the amount he drank from the mixture which had caused Mrs. Adams' death.

At this point the court adjourned until next Tuesday.

COLLIER SCIPPIO SOLD.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 29.—The secretary of the navy has arranged for the sale of the condemned collier Scipplo to Ludwig Rubelli, of Philadelphia for $6,-530 and for the sale of the naval tug Rocket to James Tregarther & Son, of New York at $1,125.

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A Fine Concert Preceded the Dance

Several hundred couples joined in the mirth and joyous dance that marked the observance of the sixteenth anniversary of Court Middlesex, No. 23, F. of A., in Associate hall last night.

The occasion was an unqualified success and the entertainment offered the happy guests embraced an excellent concert, a grand march and dancing till early this morning. The pretty dance hall was handsomely decked. Colored streamers in red green and pink were looped from the great chandelier in the center of the hall to the gallery rail. The gallery front was set off with a border work of festooned bunting and overhanging of lace on a pink background screened the windows. The stage was beautifully set. Potted plants, ferns and palms formed a pretty bower and the walls were hung with pink draperies. Overhead was the motto "Welcome" delicately worked in pink on a background of green. The concert began shortly after 8 o'clock with an opening selection by the Cadet orchestra. The McOsker children danced the sailors' hornpipe and the sweet solo, "Tell Me Again," was rendered by Miss Annie Bourasso.

Baby Tyrrell danced the Spanish dance in her usual proficient manner, and Miss Hattie Fox was heard in a pleasing reading. Miss Loretta Rourk had an opportunity to display the range of her beautiful voice in the solo "Where the Sweet Magnolias Bloom." There was also a cornet solo by Mr. Buckley of the orchestra, vocal solo by James Breen and a closing selection by the orchestra. The grand march was led by Floor Director Alexander E. Rountree and Mrs. Rountree, the latter being dressed in a beautiful gown of red with black trimmings. They were followed by the general manager, Patrick O'Leary and Mrs. O'Leary, who wore a very becoming gown of white; Assistant Floor Director John Magee, and Miss Mary Noonan, the latter wearing a gown of a delicate shade of green and white trimmings. About fifty couples took part in the march which was the plain military movement. The men were all in evening dress and the ladies were elegantly gowned. At midnight there was an intermission for supper which was served in the banquet hall by Caterer Miller.

The officers were:

General manager, Patrick O'Leary, C. R.; assistant general manager, James J. Keenan; Floor marshal, Alexander Rountree; assistant, John J. Magee; chief aid, Frank J. Campbell; aids, Hugh J. Leonard, Michael Maher, Henry Reynolds, Thomas Kelleher, Charles McQuade, Michael Rourke, Jeremiah Gray, James Leahy, John C. Moore, Thomas Magee, Thomas Quinn, Peter Keenan, John J. Slack, John J. Gallagher, George Richards, Charles Young, William Cullen, John H. Fahey.

The souvenir presented those who at- Reception committee—Patrick F. Kennedy, chairman; James Finnegan, John Gilly, John McGovern, Peter O'Neil, John Smith, Joseph J. Johnson, Peter Boland, John Burns, Hugh Gallagher, Frank Richards, Arthur Johnson, Thomas Burns, Joseph Whelen, Charles Conners, John W. Downing, William H. Harrigan, John D. Finnegan, John Quirk, Joseph Rock, John McGrath, Daniel Rock, William Leahy, Michael Connors, John McManimon; William J. Johnson, treasurer; Edward J. McGann, secretary. tended was a very neat New Year's greeting.

Mr. Roscoe L. Chase and wife with their daughter Marion of North Adams are spending the holidays at the home of Dr. J. J. Colton in Varnum avenue.

FINE PRESENT

GIVEN BY MRS. BAKER EDDY TO HER SON.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

LEADS, S. D., Dec. 30.—Mrs. Baker Eddy, of Concord, N. H., the Christian Scientist, has given her son, George Glover, of this city, a Christmas present consisting of a check for $10,000 and a clear title to a $15,000 dwelling house, which is the most palatial in the Black Hills.

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BIG LINER ASHORE

German Vessel Aground off Kent Coast

A FEARFUL SEA WAS RAGING

Vessel Believed to be a Hamburg Liner

By Associated Press to The Sun.

LONDON, Dec. 30.—A large German mail steamer, whose name has not yet been ascertained, has gone aground during a terrific gale in East bay, about a quarter of a mile off Dungeness, the southern extremity of Kent. Heavy seas are breaking over the vessel and the life boats are unable to reach her. Fears are entertained for the safety of the passengers.

It is believed the steamer is one of the Hamburg-American line.

It is reported that the position of the liner is very serious. Tugs and lifeboats were urgently requisitioned from Dover and Folkestone, but they had the utmost difficulty in getting off, owing to the gale.

The signals of distress were observed from the Sandhead lightship.

THE VESSEL IDENTIFIED.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

LONDON, Dec. 30.—The Hamburg and South American liner Pelotas, from Santos for Rotterdam, having 620 passengers on board, struck on the sands on the east side of Dungeness, the southern extremity of Kent, soon after midnight, in the midst of a terrific gale, which raged all around the coast. The storm was the worst of the winter and seas immediately began breaking over the steamer. For a time it appeared as though no one on board could be saved. The Dungeness coast guards, seeing the Pelotas' signal of distress made desperate and for a long time unsuccessful efforts to launch the lifeboat in the heavy surf beating on the shore. Finally, the coast guardsmen succeeded in reaching the steamer. They remained alongside the steamer all night and eventually put the rocket apparatus in operation. During the whole time the wind blew with hurricane force, accompanied by heavy rain and hail.

The passengers had a terrifying experience. When day broke, the gale slightly moderated, enabling the lifeboats to transfer the passengers, who were safely landed at New Romney.

MRS. MORRISON DEAD.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

NEW YORK, Dec. 30.—Mrs. Albert Morrison, the wife of the professor of languages, who was shot by her husband early yesterday morning, died today from the effects of the wound. Morrison mistook his wife for a burglar.

Good skating at Long Pond.

BIG BEEF TRAIN.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

CHICAGO, Dec. 30.—A train of twenty-eight cars loaded with corned beef will leave Hammond, Ind., Sunday night, bound for the British soldiers in South Africa. It is said that other large orders from the same source will soon be filled.

Rev. and Mrs. A. E. Wilson of the Paige street Baptist church will be at home to the members and friends of the church on New Year's Day from 3 to 5 in the afternoon and from 7.30 to 10 in the evening.

Nashua paper:

The Massachusetts Socialists are coming up into New Hampshire, to make an effort to capture the state. They are to begin in Manchester, of course. Another reason why Brother Putney couldn't go to Paris, even if he is "chose."

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By Associated Press to The Sun.

LOCKHAVEN, Pa., Dec. 30.—Grant Bathurst, assistant postmaster at Rote was killed and two other persons were injured today by an explosion of dynamite in the weighmaster's office of the Bellefonte Limestone capital at Salona. One of the men in the office raked the fire in the stove with a poker and while it was still hot hung the poker on a nail. It slipped and fell into a bucket filled with dynamite and fuses and a terrible explosion followed. The building was blown to pieces. Bathurst had an arm and leg torn from his body and two other men were injured.

CRISP GOSSIP

Last night I had occasion to go by two of the local theatres and I noticed to my astonishment that there were no boys hanging around the entrances of either theatre. It must be that the weather is getting too cold for them to stay out, for during the warmer nights it is all one could do to poke his way through the throng of youths that were around the theatres. These boys are getting to be a common nuisance. They will stay around to go up to a man and ask him for two or three cents so as to get in to the show. The policemen on the theatre beats should either arrest these boys or keep them from bothering people who chance to pass that way.

Yesterday afternoon I saw a crowd of youngsters skating in the inlet of the Merrimack river at the foot of the First street oval. The little harbor seemed to be frozen quite hard but the space was very small and a youth who was venturesome might think that the ice out on the river would hold him. If he did go out on the river, the chances are that he would break through the ice, for it is very thin outside of this particular sheltered nook. We have had one skating fatality this winter and we do not want another one if it is possible to avoid it.

Some of the clerks had curious experiences with Christmas shoppers last week. On Saturday evening two women entered a Central street furnishing goods house and one of them asked a clerk if he had any numbered handkerchiefs for gentlemen. The clerk who had been in the business for some time, was at sea to understand what was wanted, but in reply to his queries the woman insisted that she wanted "numbered" handkerchiefs. The clerk finally asked her if she saw any and she promptly pointed to an initial handkerchief. He pulled out the box containing them and the customer said she would take "numbers H and M." She got what she wanted.

I understand that a certain local clothing house advertises that for a very small price it will enable one of its customers to become a "howling swell," but does not explain what the customer will howl about.

Black eyes are beautiful only when given by nature. The other kind is most numerous, however.

Lowell gets a new year and a new city government in one day next Monday.

This is the week for casting up old accounts and making good resolutions to fit the new year.

The game of basket ball is becoming very popular with the ladies in Lowell and they have their favorites and root for them as well as the men. The game at Associate hall Christmas night between the Burkes and the P. A. C.'s was attended by no less than 500 ladies. Their presence will help the game along in Lowell tremendously. Wherever the ladies are, the young men are sure to be. What do you say, fellows?

Speaking of women reminds me of a conversation I had with a bachelor friend of mine at a local playhouse the other night. We were talking about women and marriage, when he made a remark which really impressed me because of its truthfulness, though the women will not admit it. He said that when a woman goes gunning for a husband, she arms herself with a curling iron and a box of smokeless powder.

Have you ever found that it is much easier to borrow money than to pay it back?

At the beginning of the civil war, Fr. Malone, who died in New York yesterday, hoisted a Union flag on his church spire, where it remained until it was taken down in order that it might be carried to the front. It was replaced by another flag which the citizens presented. All through the war he labored arduously in behalf of his country, contributing generously both in money and exertion. At the close of the war he made a tour of the south in company with the Rev. Thomas Farrell.

A young man in Belvidere, who has been a devoted admirer of an equally well known and popular young lady who is possessed of considerable ability as a vocalist, felt that he should make her more than one Christmas present. The extra gift was in the form of sheet music, and in fancy letters on the title page appeared the words, "I'd leave my happy home for you." The music was unrolled and as quickly rolled up again, the second process being accompanied by a request to carry the music back and get something else. The young man's friends are jollying him along a bit just now.

All who propose to swear off smoking with the beginning of the year 1900 will please leave their cigars—if they be good ones—at his office. We will see to it that the vile things are burned up as speedily as possible.

LOST BY FIRE

Two Big Buildings Destroyed in Chicago

By Associated Press to The Sun.

CHICAGO, Dec. 30.—Two seven-story buildings at Monroe and Franklin streets were totally destroyed by fire early this morning. The flames first burned the building occupied by Edward Stanwood & Co., wholesale shoes; Wooley & Co., woolens; Schwartz & Klein, clothiers, and two other firms, entailing a loss of about $350,000. One fireman was hurt by a falling wall. The flames communicated to an adjoining building occupied by the J. H. Maher paper company. This building was also destroyed with a loss of about $150,000.

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AFTER 20 YEARS

Hamilton Gormlery Returns Home Wealthy.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

BRIDGEPORT, Conn., Dec. 30.—More than 20 years ago Hamilton Gormerly, then a lad of 18, disappeared from his mother's home in this city as completely as if the ground had opened and swallowed him. All efforts to locate him proved fruitless, and his mother, whose favorite boy he was, nearly lost her reason worrying over his continued absence. As time went on and nothing was heard from him his family, with the exception of his mother, became reconciled, believing him dead. She alone refused to abandon hope.

About six years ago, however, what appeared to be reliable information was received by his parents, telling of his death in a Cleveland, O., hospital. There was no doubt about his passing away, and the record of his death still exists.

An effort to bring the corpse here disclosed that the remains after being dissected were interred in an unknown grave in potters field.

About a week before Christmas Chief Clerk John C. Gormerly of the local postoffice received a letter from San Antonio, Texas. It was from his brother, Hamilton.

There was no doubt of the writer's identity, for he referred to family matters no stranger could possibly know.

Yesterday the brother, for whose departed soul so many masses have been said, arrived here and embraced his aged mother, who was so overcome that she fainted twice.

Mr. Gormerly is now a wealthy ranch owner in southern Texas. He is married and the father of five children.

He presented his mother a check for $200 and is determined she shall pass the remainder of her days with him in the Lone Star state.

The long absent son's only excuse for not communicating with his relatives is that he met a comrade from here while in the regular army, who told him his family had gone west. He told his mother that he was worth $125,000 and that he ran away from home to join the regulars.

THE SIX DAY RACE

Dubois Still Leads the Fliers

By Associated Press to The Sun.

NEW BEDFORD, Dec. 30.—Eight hours more of steady riding was done by the contestants in the six-day bicycle race at Adelphia track in this city yesterday. Early in the afternoon there was some lively riding, but the journey is a long one and the riders are somewhat weary, consequently, slow riding followed the spurts.

John Dubois maintained his lead up to 6 o'clock, but McLean and Munroe gave him some hard work. Dubois is quite lame and feeble on his feet and he found it a difficult task to walk to the track. When he was perched on his wheel he soon limbered up. Munroe and McLean started early to gain distance on Dubois, and for a few miles the fight was against the leader. Dubois finally picked them up, without loss.

Laurex took a spill during the afternoon, and Downey gained several laps on him. The others went faster and increased their lead over the Belgian by half a mile, and also put Downey behind them a lap. The riders were increasing their scores at the rate of 16 miles an hour during the greater part of the time. There was no relative change in the positions of the riders during the evening.

The score at the end of the fifth day's riding was as follows:

Dubois 651 11, Munroe 651 7, McLean 651 4, Laurex 547 8, Downey 632 8, McDaniels 477 3.

COMPLIMENTARY PARTY

GIVEN BY BURKE TEMPERANCE INSTITUTE.

The Burke Temperance Institute gave a complimentary party to its members and friends last evening. The affair was held in the commodious hall of the society on Middle street and was attended by a large crowd and everyone enjoyed a most pleasureable evening. Atwood's orchestra furnished music during the evening and dancing was enjoyed until nearly midnight.

Thomas Flynn was general manager while John Connors was his assistant; floor director, Joseph Murphy; assistant floor director, John Shea; chief aid, Joseph Harrigan; aids, Charles Gallagher, John Smith, Henry McCarty, Fred Smith, Joseph Shea, Allie Shannon, John Devine, Frank Clark; reception committee, chairman Lawrence Forby. The other members of the reception committee were Edward Farrell, Fred Welch, Frank Corrigan, George Tyrrell, Dan Keegan, William Gleason, Thomas Welch and John Keegan.

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PAUL BUTLER, Elected Chairman of the Massachusetts Sportsman's Club.

BUTLER ELECTED

Pres. of the Massachusetts Sportsmen's Association

COL. PARKER AND COL. AMES HONORED

Annual Meeting Held in Boston Yesterday

By Associated Press to The Sun.

BOSTON, Dec. 30.—The annual meeting of the Massachusetts Sportsmen's association was held at Young's hotel yesterday morning. Routine business was transacted and the following named officers for the ensuing year were elected: Paul Butler, president; Charles W. Dimick, vice president and general manager; Francis H. Crowinshield, secretary and treasurer; executive committee, the above named and Col. Percy Parker, E. J. Wardwell, Captain Samuel D. Parker, Col. Butler Ames.

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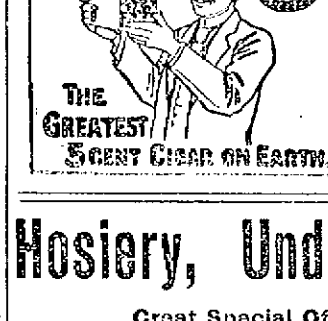

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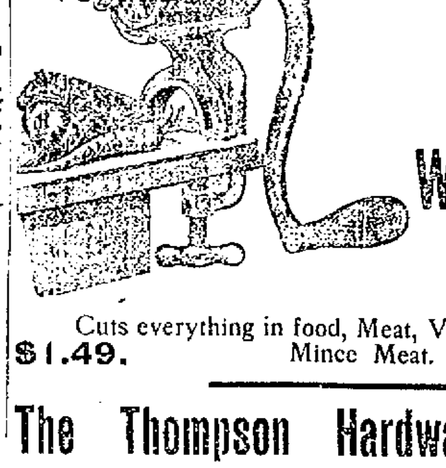

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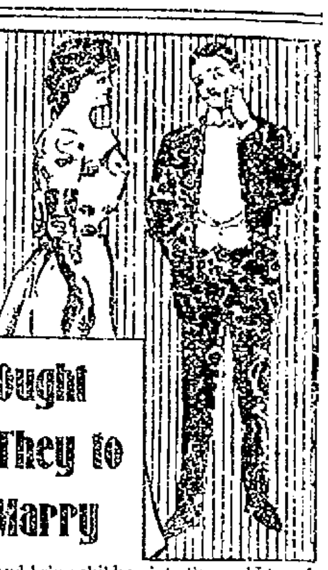

And bring children into the world to suffer from an inherited blood taint? People do not realize that foul blood may lurk under a fair skin, and that the fire smoldering in the blood of the parent may break into flame in the flesh of the child. Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery puts out the smoldering fires of scrofula. It cleanses the blood from disease taints, strengthens the weak lungs, heals the diseased stomach.
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WINTER ARRANGEMENT.

In effect October 2, 1899: Trains leave Merrimack street depot, Lowell, as follows:

For Boston, 5.43, 6.25, c6.42, *7.15, *8.50, c9.15, *9.15, 11.00 a. m.; 1.40, c5.05, 4.25, c6.41 p. m.

SUNDAYS, 5.45 a. m.

Trains leave Middlesex street station Lowell, as follows:

For Boston, 5.16, 6.23, c6.15, w6.50, 7.01, *7.20, *7.25, 7.31, *7.15, w*8.00, *8.57, c9.19, w9.20, *9.50, w10.50, 11.03, *11.44 a. m., w12.05, 12.16, w12.15, 1.43, w2.30, c3.08, w3.30, *3.41, w3.55, 4.25, w5.15, 5.22, c5.40, w6.10, *6.22, 7.00, *7.19, w9.25 p. m.

SUNDAYS, 7.20, 7.28, w8.15, 8.45, 9.12 a. m., w12.05, w4.00, 4.25, w6.50, 6.55, w7.25 p. m.

For Lawrence, 6.25, w6.50, z7.31, w8.30, w9.25, 10.05, w10.50 a. m.; w12.05, w2.30, w3.55, 4.15, w5.15, w6.15, w7.00, w9.25, w b11.25 p. m.

SUNDAYS, w8.15 a. m.; w12.05, w5.50, w7.25 p. m.

For Salem, Mass., 7.31 a. m.; w12.05, 1.25, w5.15, 6.53 p. m.

For Haverhill, 6.25, 6.50, z7.31, 8.30, 9.25, 10.50 a. m.; 12.05, 2.30, w3.55, w5.15, 6.14, 7.00, 9.25, b11.25 p. m. SUNDAYS, 8.15 a. m.; 12.05, 5.30, 7.25 p. m.

For Newburyport, Amesbury and Portsmouth, 6.25 a. m.; 12.05, 2.30, 3.55, 6.15 p. m.

For Exeter and Dover, 6.28, z7.34, 8.30, a. m.; 12.05, 2.30, 3.55, 6.15 p. m. SUNDAYS, 5.30 p. m.

For Rochester and Alton Bay, 8.30 a. m.; 12.05, 3.55 p. m.

For Somersworth, N. H., Saco, Old Orchard and Portland, 6.25, z7.31, 8.30 a. m.; 12.05, 3.55 p. m. SUNDAYS, 5.30 p. m., for Somersworth and Portland.

For Augusta, Bath, Waterville, 6.23, 8.30, a. m.; 12.05, 6.15 p. m. SUNDAYS, 5.30 p. m.

For Lewiston, 6.28, 8.30, a. m.; 12.05, 5.15, p. m.

For Skowhegan, 8.30 a. m.

For Bangor, Belfast, and Rockland, 8.30 a. m.; 5.15 p. m., ex. Saturday for Belfast and Rockland. SUNDAYS, 5.30 p. m.

For St. John's, N. B., Halifax, N. S., Montreal and Quebec, 5.15 p. m. (5.15 does not connect Saturdays.) SUNDAYS, 5.30 p. m.

For Eastport and St. John (via steamer from Portland), on (Mondays, for St. John only) and Thursdays, at 12.05 p. m.

For Castine, Deer Isle, Sedgewick, Bar Harbor, Jonesport and Machiasport (via steamer Frank Jones from Portland), Tuesdays and Fridays at 6.15 p. m.

For Woburn, 6.28, 7.01, 7.31, *7.48, 11.03 a. m.; 1.43, 4.28 p. m.; SUNDAYS, 8.48 a. m.; 4.25, 6.55 p. m.

For Ayer and Way Stations—7.10 a. m.; 12.00, 5.01 and 6.42 p. m. SUNDays, 2.15 p. m.

For Amherst, Milford and Wilton, 9.12 a. m.; 1.00, 3.41, 6.40 p. m. SUNDAYS, 2 p. m.

For Greenfield, Peterboro, Bennington, Hillsboro and Keene, 9.12 a. m.; 3.41 p. m. SUNDAYS, to Hillsboro, 2 p. m.

For Nashua, Manchester and Concord, 7.40, 9.12, *9.40 a. m.; *12.12, 1.00, *1.40, 3.41, *6.40, 6.27, *8.10, *8.40 p. m. SUNDAYS, 10.02 a. m. (to Nashua only), 2.09 a. m.; 2.09, 6.02, 8.10, 8.40 p. m.

For Franklin, Lebanon and White River Junction, 9.12, *9.40 a. m.; *12.12, *1.40 (to Franklin only), 5.40, *a8.10 p. m.

For Warner, Bradford, Sunapee, Newport, (N. H.,) Claremont and Claremont Junction, 7.40 a. m.; 1.40 p. m.

For St. Johnsbury and Lyndonville, via Wells River, *9.40 a. m.; *1.40, *a8.40 p. m.

For Montpelier, Essex Jct., Burlington, St. Albans, St. Johns and Montreal, via Central Vermont Line, *9.40 a. m.; *12.12, *a8.10 p. m.

For Montreal and Quebec, via Montreal and Boston Air Line, *9.40 a. m.; *a8.40 p. m.

QUEBEC EXPRESS, via Plymouth and Sherbrooke, *9.40 a. m.; *8.40 p. m. ex. Sat.

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wVia Western Division.

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50th ANNIVERSARY

Of Father Mathew Total Abstince Society

By Associated Press to The Sun.

CAMBRIDGE, Dec. 30.—The 50th anniversary of the Fr. Mathew Total Abstinence society of East Cambridge was observed Thursday evening in Institute hall, East Cambridge, a lecture upon the life of Fr. Mathew being delivered by the Rt. Rev. Mgr. Thomas J. Conaty, D. D., president of the Catholic University of America, Washington.

President M. F. Quinn presided, and selections were sung by the choir of the church of the Sacred Heart. An interesting feature was the presentation of a gold medal to Patrick Sharkey, one of the founders of the F. M. T. A. society and its oldest living member, the presentation being made by Fr. Conaty.

F. Conaty spoke as follows:

I feel it a great pleasure to be with you as you celebrate the 50th anniversary of the establishment of the Fr. Mathew Total Abstinence society in this parish. Fifty years means much in a lifetime of good. In this case it represents that amount of time in good deeds, in unflinching bravery, and in self-sacrifice. What a golden tribute to the men who have held together as a band of earnest adherents to the cause of total abstinence.

I rejoice with your society that in the many cross paths of life this society has overcome all obstacles, and still holds aloft the spotless banner of total abstinence. This is a worthy commendation, for you know as well as I that it is not an easy thing to maintain a society devoted to total abstinence. During those 50 years many societies of the same kind have ceased to exist. But you have outlived them all, and that you are still faithful to the principles of Fr. Mathew is worthy of the highest praise.

What say you of the worthy men who started this society? There are men on this stage tonight more worthy to speak of it than I. They bear on their breasts the medal of Fr. Mathew, and the precious inheritance of the principles for which they stand.

I was a babe in my mother's arms when Fr. Mathew started this society and the others but I am proud to say that I have always held to his principles. I need not speak of these principles, for you know them as well as I; some of you even better. You know how he left his home in Ireland and went to Europe to preach the new crusade. You know, also, the results of his work, and when men refer to the Irish race for deeds of nobility, I point to Fr. Mathew as the greatest hero of them all.

Greatness is not alone on the battlefield, but in the power of controlling one's self. Fr. Mathew preached the crusade of goodness, of morality which demanded a sacrifice, and he found a race ready to respond to his touch. Fr. Mathew came to this country and went through the land, and he was honored by Catholic and Protestant alike, as man has never before been honored. And it is a question whether his reception has ever been surpassed since that time.

You know of his work here in this country, and of his departure, and of the scroll of names which he took away with him, all of them pledged to total abstinence. And the seed that he planted here has borne well, and now let us place the credit where it belongs. Let us place it on the Capucian monk, Fr. Mathew.

Fr. Mathew preached the gospel of reform: that which was easy neither to preach nor to practice. He found on the part of his own people great influence against him, the influence of the liquor traffic. That traffic of liquor is the only one permitted by law. The laws are prohibitory to all else, but not to the rum traffic. Don't blame the Irishmen for the curse, but blame the oppressors of Ireland.

But it became a fact that the Irish fell a victim to it, I can say justly, not so much because of the character of the people as of the circumstances in which they happened to be placed. In the years of freedom there was no drunkenness; it came after years of oppression, and then the traffic intrenched itself among the people.

Then came an emancipation of the people. Today the slave of the south still dreams that Abraham Lincoln is governing the country, because the shackles of slavery have been stricken from him. He does well who frees a race politically. That is one of the greatest results of human effort. But here we have an apostle who freed a race, not from slavery under the law, but from slavery to sin. He went deeper than the body. He went into the soul. Fr. Mathew apostolate brought emancipation to a great people. Think you that it was an easy apostolate? His crusade was one of self-sacrifice. It taught the law, "If the cup offend thy brother, touch not the cup," applying to men who did not need total abstinence themselves. It was an apostolate of generosity.

Many time in the history of our efforts for total abstinence it has been necessary for us to excuse ourselves for being total abstainers. Thank God we have reached a pass where the drinking man has to give his reasons for not being a total abstainer. The pledge of Fr. Mathew was not so much a badge of reformation as a badge of preservation. Never shall come the day when the dangers of intemperance shall not surround us, and though Fr. Mathew is no longer with us, his spirit still remains. You are not the only followers of Fr. Mathew. Thank God there are armies of men who are not members of this or similar societies, yet who are total abstainers because of your example.

SECOND ANNUAL

BALL OF MOHAIR PLUSH CRICKET CLUB.

The Massachusetts Mohair Plush Cricket club held its second annual concert and ball last evening at Highland hall, and the affair proved a complete success socially and financially. An enjoyable concert was given from eight till nine o'clock, and dancing was enjoyed from the latter hour till midnight with an intermission for refreshments which were served by the lady friends of the club members. The committee on arrangements was composed of the following gentlemen: J. W. Harrison, assisted by David Hambleton, J. Kennedy, J. Folly, L. Fincliding and W. Collins. The same gentlemen also officiated as the floor officials for the dance. The Middlesex orchestra played for the dancing. The supper was served by the following ladies: Mrs. J. W. Harrison, Mrs. Brooks Southam, Mrs. Rylah Firth, Mrs. David Hird and Mrs. John Dobbs.

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CITY OF TAUNTON

Afraid of Contamination of Water Supply

By Associated Press to The Sun.

TAUNTON, Dec. 30.—The annual report of the board of water commissioners of the city of Taunton, presented to the city council contains the following:

Long Pond empties into Assawampsett. Whatever affects the character of the water in Long Pond will therefore in a lesser degree affect that of Assawampsett. A power house has been built to furnish electricity as a motive to run the New Bedford and Brockton electric railway. This power house takes its water supply from Long Pond and returns its waste water to the same pond. The superintendent visited this property Dec. 7th but found no evidence that sewage as yet drains into the pond from this source. The overflow water at this distance from the water works' pumping station is of little consequence.

At the head of Long Pond is a large park which will undoubtedly be in full running order next season and will attract crowds of pleasure seekers from New Bedford, Taunton, Brockton and adjoining towns. On Dec. 7, no sewage was draining into the pond, and no preparation for such drainage was in evidence. Outhouses were set at more than the regulation distance from the shore of the pond.

Nevertheless it is unfortunate that this means of drawing crowds of people to visit the shores of a pond which forms part of a water supply should become established. The passage of the electric road along the shores of Assawampsett pond will undoubtedly, bring many visitors to the neighborhood of the pumping station at Lakeville.

The city of New Bedford owns the land along the shores of Little Quittacus and Great Quittacus and is thus able to protect the shores of its water supply from danger of pollution. Taunton has the same control over Elder's Pond, but has not this safeguard to Long Pond and Assawampsett Pond.

The cost of purchasing even the five rods margin around the borders of these two large ponds might be burdensome for a small city. In view, however, of present and prospective conditions, it is very much to be regretted that the city council of Taunton did not avail itself the past year of an opportunity to buy a considerable tract of land along the borders of Assawampsett in the immediate vicinity of the intake where any objectionable features upon the shore might have a prompt and injurious effect upon the quality of the supply.

The present environment, therefore, of the Lakeside supply suggests the necessity in the near future of guarding Elder's Pond from danger of pollution by filtering the water to be pumped into Elder's pond from Assawampsett, the possibility of which filtration was contemplated when the scheme of supply was adopted and the piping was so arranged that a filtration plant may be installed whenever it may be deemed expedient.

MUSIC HALL.

The attraction next three nights and matinee commencing January 1st at Music hall will be Harry Bryant's Australian Burlesquers. This standard organization is said to be one of the best organized companies on the road this season. The first part is a new one and is given with a vim and dash, and is followed by a rattling vaudeville olio comprising Bryant and Yale in a new and sensational sketch entitled "Just Married." The Quincey Sisters in character songs and dances, Charlie Banks in "Nothing to Arbitrate"; Ella Urline in a budget of new and popular songs. The Empire Comedy quartette comprising Messrs. Hanvey, Wilbur, Cooley and Fuller, and Paris' latest sensation, Nelson, Glinseretti and Demonio in their pantomimic farce, "Frolics in a Cafe Chantant."

The burlesque which follows while being a little on the sensational order is bound to please and introduces Harry C. Bryant the comedian who made such a decided hit at this theatre last season. There is also the comingling of comedy, pretty choruses, new and catchy music, captivating dances, bewildering evolutions and hosts of pretty girls. The scenery with electrical effects and costumes are all new and taken as a whole the attraction is bound to draw large houses no matter what the magnet is elsewhere. Seats now on sale.

SOCIAL AND FRATERNAL

Three applications and two initiations took place last evenig at the regular meeting of Columbia Council, No. 33, O. U. A. M. Brothers George E. Varney, Charles Young, George S. Gilman and Charles Torsey were elected representatives to the grand council. Officers elected for the ensuing year: Councillor, L. F. Durrell; vice councillor, W. R. Foster; recording secretary, G. S. Gilman; assistant recording secretary P. T. Durrell; financial secretary, F. J. Baldwin; inductor, C. F. Harrington; examiner, A. W. Pilling; inside protector, Frank Dodge; outside protector, P. F. Schofield; trustees, Charles Young, George Varney, and Walter Leach.

At the regular meeting of Lowell lodge, last night, the following officers were elected for the ensuing term: Noble grand, Alvin J. Lethead; vice grand Harvey B. Harriman; secretary, C. A. Clough; treasurer, George F. Taylor; financial secretary, Asa B. Hillard; trustee for three years, William W. Clark; marshal, James A. Osgood.

SUNDAY SOCIALS.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

BOSTON, Dec. 30.—In a circular letter sent to all the divisions of the Ancient Order of Hibernians in this state, Rev. John T. Cummins, the state chaplain of the order, has given expression to his condemnation of the practice of profaning the Lord's day by the holding of Sunday socials.

GUILTY OF PERJURY.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

PROVIDENCE, R. I., Dec. 30.—The two Italians, Gerinaro di Nardo and Nicola di Nardo, father and son, who were indicted by the grand jury on the charge of committing perjury in their testimony before the sixth district court were tried and found guilty this morning. Sentence was deferred.

AMATEUR BOXERS

IN NEW ENGLAND TO BE SUSPENDED FOR ONE WEEK.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

BOSTON, Dec. 30.—The registration committee of the New England association of the A. A. U. last night voted to suspend every registered boxer in New England for one week during which the amateur standing of each will be investigated.

RESULT OF WHIST TOURNAMENT.

The following was the result of the whist tournament at the Alpine club last night between the Alpines and the Knights of Columbus:

Hogan and Winn won 1, Savage and Donohoe won 1 and lost 1, O'Connell and O'Connor lost 1. In the pool tournament Knights of Columbus won 3 and Alpines lost 1.

FINAL MEETINGS

Of City Government Held Last Evening

ALL BUSINESS CLEARED UP NOW

Fred A. Buttrick, Sinking Fund Commissioner

Both branches of the city council, the water board and the overseers of the poor held meetings at city hall last evening and cleared up the year's business. The city council met to take action upon a few matters which were improperly passed at the last meeting. Mayor Crowley vetoed the incorrect measures and the city council after sustaining the vetoes passed new measures correctly drawn.

THE ALDERMEN.

Mayor Crowley called the aldermen to order at 8.20 o'clock and six members were present.

He stated that he had vetoed the resolutions for the settlement of the Joseph B. Varnum and Michael T. Dean claims because they were defectively drawn, no designation of the appropriation from which the money was to be drawn being made.

The vetoes were sustained and new resolutions, properly drawn, were introduced and passed.

There was no further business upon the desk, and Mr. Derby moved the election of a commissioner of sinking funds.

Mr. Libby announced that George M. Harrigan was not a candidate for the position, and did not wish his name to be used.

Fred A. Buttrick received four votes, and Mr. Harrigan two, Messrs. McNulty and Miskella voting for him. Mr. Buttrick was declared elected in concurrence.

A recess was then taken, but the members came to order again at 9 o'clock only to adjourn.

COMMON COUNCIL.

Councilman Mullaney presided over the common council last evening when it finally came together, some difficulty being experienced in getting a quorum.

Notice from the board of aldermen of the election in concurrence of Fred A. Buttrick as commissioner of sinking funds for three years was read.

Then the following orders from the board of aldermen came down and were adopted unanimously in concurrence:

"Authorizing the payment of $50 to Michael T. Dean as damages for personal injuries."

"Authorizing the city solicitor to compromise and settle the suit of J. B. Varnum against the city of Lowell and appropriating money therefor."

The above were orders brought in to correct those which were improperly adopted at the previous meeting.

An order to appropriate money for the purchase of land for cemetery purposes which strayed away before it reached the common council the other night was adopted.

WATER BOARD.

The water board held a meeting last night and voted to renew the insurance upon the pumping station and the house at the reservoir. The sum of $30,000 will be placed upon the former.

OVERSEERS OF THE POOR.

The overseers of the poor met at city hall last night and approved the monthly bills. Some matters of routine were also attended to. Information was received that a woman who has a settlement in Lowell is very ill in Maynard. Her husband has left town under a cloud and she is being aided by the Maynard authorities. Her house is worth $2000, and has a mortgage of $500 on it. The secretary was instructed to look into the matter and investigate the woman's circumstances.

ANNUAL MEETING

OF STOCKHOLDERS OF MERRIMACK WOOLEN MILLS.

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Merrimack woolen mills was held in the office of the mill, at Dracut, Friday afternoon. There was nothing of public interest transpired at the meeting. The old board of directors were re-elected.

ANNUAL STATEMENT.

The following is the annual statement of the Criterion Knitting Co.:

Assets, real estate and buildings, $15,707; machinery, $21,763; cash and debts rec., $2301; miscellaneous, $183; total, $56,348.

Liabilities, capital stock, $10,000; debts, $36,149; res. for depreciation and unsettled salaries, $10,205; total, $56,348.

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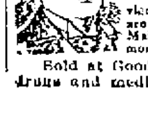

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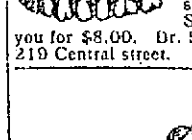

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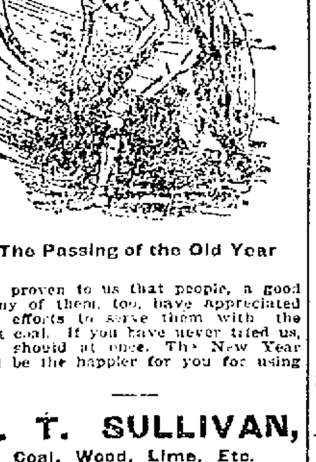

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LOST—Fox hound, black, white and tan, left ear split. 5 Richmond avenue, off Lawrence street.

LOST—A black and tan hound, name on collar, G. Southworth. Finder rewarded by leaving at fourth house past Gun Club street, Chelmsford Centre.

FOUND—Saturday night in Music hall a pair of glasses. Owner can have same by calling at this office and paying charges.

LOST—Meerschaum pipe at corner of Fayette and Andover street. Dark red color and ornamented with silver trimming. Return to 31 Sycamore street and be rewarded.

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CHRISTMAS.
It is not too early to remind you that it is most time to get your orders in for Christmas and if you are going to have anything special, order at once as the market indications are that real good stock is going to be scarce. We have ordered heavily of the best growers and our supply will be the best ever had in Lowell. Nothing adds more to a happy home than a small vase of cut flowers. Floral designs of the latest patterns. Patten & Roberts, florists, 5 Merrimack square. Telephone 63-3.

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WAGES ADVANCED.
Wages in the Kitson Machine company have been materially advanced and the employes are now receiving an increase of from 10 to 12 per cent.

LOWELL ORCHESTRAL SOCIETY.
Don't forget the last recital of the year, Sunday afternoon, at Odd Fellows' hall, when Adamowsky, the famous 'cellist of the Boston Symphony orchestra, and Lane, the popular tenor of the Boston Cadet operas will be the soloists. As some people think the 20th century begins on the following day, the orchestral society will give it a good send-off by playing the national airs and the large audience will join in singing our national anthem "America." It will be a patriotic occasion. The orchestra will also play "Peer Gynt," a very beautiful and descriptive picture in four parts, opening with a rustic scene, suggestive of birds and sunshine and new mown hay, followed by a death-bed scene, a dance in the Arabian desert and the wild music of the imps. Reserved seats for this recital at Austin's Music Store for 25 cents.

AUSTRALIAN BEAUTIES.
As an extra attraction for the first three nights next week, the management of Music Hall has engaged Harry Reynal's Australian Burlesquers. This standard organization is one of the largest burlesque companies on the road this season. In addition to a long list of specialties there is a chorus of over 20 handsome girls.
The company is a good one and is in itself made up of the very best to be obtained, and is of the approved burlesque make up, fraught with many pleasing specialties, good music, pretty girls and fun galore. The costumes and scenery are all new, and a performance with all the good things of the season is assured.

DISASTROUS YEAR

NUMEROUS WRECKS DURING THE YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 1899.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

BANGOR, Me., Dec. 30.—The year ending June 30, 1899, was one of great disaster to the shipping of eastern New England the statistical story of the casualties showing a most appalling record. The greatest losses were suffered in the terrific gale of Nov. 27, 1898, but all through the year wrecks were numerous and the fleet was decimated to the extent of 166 sail, many of them the best vessels that could be constructed of wood. The loss of life in the year was 325, and the property loss nearly $2,000,000.

The greatest disaster of the year was the foundering of the steamer Portland with all on board, 129 persons, and this was also the second greatest loss of property, the steamer and her cargo being valued at $220,000. The wreck of the steamer Whitney of Boston was first in points of property loss—$235,000—and 12 of the 31 members of her crew perished.

Many wrecks have occurred since June 30, but few lives have been lost in that time and the disasters were as nothing compared with the terrible calamities which befell shipping in the previous year. Following is the summary of total wrecks for the year named of vessels hailing from ports in Maine, New Hampshire and Massachusetts:

Maine—Vessels lost, 78; tonnage 24,348; value of vessels and cargoes, $943,625; loss on vessels and cargoes, $910,360; number of persons on board, 559; number of lives lost, 204.

New Hampshire—Vessels lost, 3; tonnage, 586; value of vessels and cargoes, 57800; loss on vessels and cargoes, 56,600; number of persons on board, 14; no lives lost.

Massachusetts—Vessels lost, 85; tonnage, 32,914; value of vessels and cargoes, $916,890; loss on vessels and cargoes, $889,400; persons on board, 832; number of lives lost, 21.

The total value of vessels and cargoes was $1,868,815, and the total loss on vessels and cargoes, $1,814,360.

NORTH CHELMSFORD

Several hundred people were in attendance at the town hall last evening, when Squad 1, of Troop F, cavalry held their second dance, and the event was a grand success. Many members of the other squads being present, Hibbard's orchestra furnished music. Those who had charge of the event were general manager, Sergt. Elisha H. Shaw; floor director, Private James Eagan. The members of Squad 1 performed the duties of aids.

Mr. John H. Clark of New Boston, N. H., was visiting in North Chelmsford during the week. Mr. Clark is well known to the people of North Chelmsford, and for many years he was the station agent of the Boston and Maine railroad in this village, but during the past few years he has lived in New Boston, N. H.

The ice on Leache's pond is about three inches thick at present and on last evening many of the village boys were skating there.

EDITOR SMALLEY DEAD.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

ST. PAUL, Minn., Dec. 30.—E. V. Smalley, editor of the Northwestern magazine and secretary of the National sound money league, died here last night.

Dr. Calvert DENTIST 81 MERK ST.

L. A. W. REPORT

SHOWS A LOSS OF MEMBERSHIP IN NEW HAMPSHIRE.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

MANCHESTER, N. H., Dec. 30.—R. T. Kingsbury of Keene, chief consul L. A. W., of New Hampshire, made his annual report to the state board of officers at a meeting in this city last evening. The report showed a loss in membership in this state of 148 or 20 per cent. on the last year, a better showing than has been made in many other states. Mr. Kingsbury believes that the abandonment by the league of the control of racing will be to its advantage and advocates this course.

STEAMER LINDA

BURNED TO WATER'S EDGE AND SANK.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

SHREVEPORT, La., Dec. 30.—The steamer Linda of Shreveport burned to the water's edge and sank off Vanceville on the Red River yesterday. The officers and crew had to swim for shore. Five negro rousters from Shreveport were either burned or drowned.

MRS. F. M. WORTH

WIFE OF BRIG. GEN. WORTH, PASSED AWAY YESTERDAY.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

NEW YORK, Dec. 30.—Mrs. Florence Mansfield Worth, wife of Brig. Gen. Wm. S. Worth, died at the residence of her brother-in-law, Captain Wm. H. Coffin, in command of the siege battery at the reservation at Fort Hamilton, after a short illness.

THROWN FROM TEAM

A FISH PEDDLER DIES FROM INJURIES RECEIVED.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

PROVIDENCE, R. I., Dec. 30.—Albert Field, a fish peddler, was thrown from his wagon while on his way to his home in Pawtuxet yesterday afternoon, receiving injuries which resulted in his death at the Rhode Island hospital last night. His 12-year-old son, who was with him, was also thrown out, but escaped injury. Field was 41 years old, and leaves a wife and three children.

MIDDLESEX WOMEN'S CLUB.
Monday, Jan. 1, 1900, New Year's reception to state federation officers and the presidents of federated clubs. At 3.30 p. m., brief addresses; at 4 o'clock, recital by the Schumann string quintette, Carl Behr, director; 4.30 o'clock, reception and club tea. This afternoon will be open to club members only and those holding transferred tickets, their out-of-town guests and the guests of the club. Club members desiring to hear the addresses are requested to be in their seats promptly at 3.30 o'clock, as at that time the entrances to the floor of Colonial hall will be closed. At the close of the addresses the doors will be opened for a few minutes but will be closed during the recital by the quintette. Members coming late may find seats in the gallery which will be open at the time.

The Schumann string quintette is composed of the following well known artists: Carl Behr, director, cello and zither soloist, formerly for many years a member of the Boston Symphony orchestra; Emil C. Lavigueur, first violin and soloist; Jacques Benavente, second violin, clarinet and saxaphone soloist; P. L. Gregoire, double bass; Emil J. Borjes, viola. The program for the recital is as follows:

Quintette.
a. Andante Con Moto ....Bocherini
b. Minuet Allegretto ......Bocherini
Quartette.
a. Adagio.
b. Minuet.
c. Allegro, con brio ....Haydn, op. 71
Quintette.
a. Andante, G minor .Tschaikowsky
b. The Mill .... Raff

Tuesday, Jan. 2, 10 to 11 o'clock a. m. recital by members of the music section; composer, Mendelssohn.

Tuesday, Jan. 3, 4 p. m. Browning class under the direction of Miss Julia E. Ward. Subject "In a Balcony," Rev. Chas. T. Billings will read "By the Fireside."

Wednesday, Jan. 3, choral class.

Thursday, Jan. 4. Lecture by Mr. Hamilton W. Mable; subject, "Some Hints from Nature." Tickets will be on sale Monday to club members for their friends.

SAVOY THEATRE

One of the best places in Lowell to go for an evening's entertainment is the Savoy Theatre. That is the prevailing opinion among the majority of the people of Lowell at the present time, and judging from the attractions offered thus far at the theatre it is an opinion not far from the truth. Every bill offered up to the present time has been of the highest quality and the majority of the artists who appeared were fresh from the Keith circuit. The latter fact is evidence enough of the efforts made by the management to please. The bill offered this week deserves crowded houses. It is really the best presented thus far and is headed by Mr. and Mrs. Robyns, conceded by the most exacting critics to be the best legitimate sketch team now playing in the varieties. This afternoon and night remain for those who have not had the opportunity to hear them and the remaining artists who make up the bill. The matinee this afternoon is at the usual hour, 2.15, and the evening entertainment at 8.15.

SUCCESSFUL DANCE

HELD BY TALBOT MILLS BAND LAST NIGHT.

A successful dance was held at Talbot Memorial hall in North Billerica last evening, under the auspices of the Talbot mills band. The affair was very largely attended, many people being present from Lowell. While the guests were arriving in the early evening, the orchestra, which was composed of members of the band, played a number of concert selections, which were well received. Dancing began at 9 o'clock, and was enjoyed until nearly midnight.

Eyesight by absorption. Dr. Taylor.

shortness of breath—a sensation of dryness and heat in the throat. Neglect is dangerous.

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MISS BLANCHE AMES WHO IS TO WED OAKES AMES OF THE NOTED NORTH EASTON FAMILY.

A CATHOLIC CLUB

Flourishes Among the Catholics in Philippines

IT ISSUES AN INTERESTING PAPER

The Purposes of the Organization

Mrs. Larkin of North Chelmsford, whose son John Larkin, is at present in Manila, is the first person in this vicinity to receive a copy of the Sentinel, an interesting four-page paper published weekly by the Catholic Club, an organization devoted to the interests of Uncle Sam's soldiers of the Catholic faith. The editor is W. F. Malone, who is also president of the Catholic club, and the spiritual director is Rev. F. X. Sniro, S. J., San Ignacio church, Intramuros, a Spanish priest. Although the Catholic club is a new organization and heretofore unknown in this vicinity, it appears to be a pronounced success. The purposes of the club are set forth in an article in the Sentinel, entitled, "What is the Catholic Club" as follows:

"So many letters of inquiry have reached the officers and members of the Catholic club concerning the purposes of the organization that the Sentinel takes this means of answering these questions.

The Catholic club was organized for a two-fold purpose. First, to furnish a meeting place for the Catholic soldier and his friends; a place where they might assemble for mutual advancement; second, to keep warm in their hearts the faith instilled through childhood and youth by mothers, who, in thousands of cases today, would be less anxious about their dear ones in the Philippines did they have the assurance that their boys are still loyal sons of Mother church.

On Thursday, the 3d day of August, 1899, the first public meeting was held. At that time the guest of the evening, Rev. E. H. Fitzgerald, chaplain of the 22d infantry, defined in clear terms what a Catholic club should be. The meeting was honored by the presence of his grace, the venerable archbishop of Manila, who, seeing the purpose and determination of the promoters, tendered for the use of the society as a permanent home the convent attached to the church of Our Lady of the Guide, in the district of Ermita. The place is easy of access. From the "bridge of Spain" one can ride on the street cars to the very door for two cents. The church is only a few doors from the Luneta, on the left hand side of Calle Real, in the district of Ermita. The rooms have been neatly furnished by voluntary contributions of Catholic soldiers and civilians stationed or resident in Manila; in some instances soldiers not of our faith, seeing the advantage of such a place, have dropped in their mites, for which grateful acknowledgment is here made.

A library of nearly two hundred volumes of English literature, religious and secular, has been donated by the Jesuit Fathers of St. Ignatius church, Calle Arzobispo, Wall City, on the tables there is writing material, furnished gratis, for those who wish to correspond with friends at home. From the windows one can overlook the bay, and the refreshing breezes from the waters make it a pleasant place to spend an hour with profit to mind and body.

The religious end of the society can be put in a very succinct form:

First—By the atmosphere and surroundings the soldier may be led to realize that the more Christian life he leads the more his country can depend on his services.

Second—Any soldier will admit that in a campaign such as our men are undergoing at the present time, there is danger from the bullets of the enemy and the ravages of disease. Where is the Catholic man who in danger of death would refuse the consolations of holy church—the attendance of a priest for the administration of the sacrament? The purpose of the Catholic club is to see that a priest is brought to the bedside of the dying Catholic soldier.

Third—Should death claim any of our members the officers of the club will see that the remains will be laid to rest with all the rites of the Catholic church.

While it is to be hoped that all our boys may return home safe and sound, the fact stares us in the face that there is danger, and with this thought in view we ask the Catholic soldiers in the field to consider the proposition of membership. The dues are 25 cents a month. All that is necessary to become a member is to send your name with the subscription to any officer of the club."

The Sentinel contains a number of interesting Catholic notes of the church in the Philippines and in our own country.

The engagement of Miss Helen J. Thissell to Mr. William T. Davis is announced.

LABOR NEWS

STEAM AND GAS FITTERS' UNION TO HOLD SMOKE TALK.

On Monday night the Steam and Gas Fitters' union will hold a smoke talk in Barrister's hall, and they invite all steam and gas fitters of the city whether members of the union or not, to be present.

The Carders and Pickers' union will hold their next meeting on Friday night, instead of Tuesday, but the following week they will hold in a meeting on Tuesday and will alternate for the next three months, so that all will have a chance to attend the meetings.

The Plumbers' union will hold their meeting next Tuesday night.

GREATEST GENERAL

THE SUBJECT TO BE DISCUSSED BY CARDERS AND PICKERS.

To the Editor of The Sun:

With your kind permission I submit through the medium of your paper a few facts that may be of service to the general public. The Carders and Pickers union will hold a peculiar debate Sunday evening, Dec. 31, that will be free to the public.

The subject is: "Who Was the Greatest General," and each person present will be allowed to choose whoever he wishes from the generals of all ages, down to our own much abused General Shafter who embarked and disembarked an army of 16,000 men without the loss of a single man and conquered General Toral at Santiago on a pare bluff and thus saved his soldiers from extermination by fever. Mr. John Walace General Robert E. Lee; Mr. Timothy J. Halloran will speak in support of Cyrus the great; Mr. William Bamber will present the claims of the Duke of Wellington; Mr. James F. Collins will speak for the Father of Our Country, George Washington; Mr. Eli Procupil has inflicted upon [illegible] the task of supporting a gener[illegible] [illegible]me as heavy as the armor [illegible] the gentle Nebuchodonsor; [illegible]ott has concluded to [illegible] [illegible] Bonaparte; Brother Willi[illegible] [illegible] 'll support Teddy Roosev[illegible]. Will no one rally the cause of the much maligned Shafter.

Prior to the debate one half hour will be devoted to mild physical exercises to give elasticity and strength to the muscle and power to the lungs and voice. Some of the best lessons taught by athletic professors and teachers of vocal culture and deportment of public speakers are practised by our class during the first half hour spent in physical exercises. The physical part begins at half past seven; the mental part at 8 p.m. and thus far there have been of sufficient interest to continue to 10 p.m. As I have previously stated the meetings and exercises are free to the entire public and we urge all who can to avail themselves of the oportunity to train and develop alike sound physique and a bright intellect. We have ample quarters to accomodate several hundred people. We are located in Old Odd Fellows building at 212 Merrimack street. We rent the entire floor, having a surface of four thousand, one hundred square feet. We have an infant gymnasium and a library donated by members and their friends. We receive the Congressional Record through the courtesy of Hon. Wm. S. Knox, who has agreed to supply our library with a duplicate of all maps, charts, books and documents published by the government, to which we are entitled. Our friends who do not follow mill work for their daily bread have raised the question: "Is there not some way in which they can help so worthy an organization." We answer there is, and they can contribute either funds, books, furniture, athletic apparatus or any thing of material value and we are framing a law to admit worthy people as honorary members. The cause that our union battles for benefits all wage earners from the high salaried mill treasurer down to the poor mill girl at 80 cents a day and as its success menas the general good of all, then all alike should give freely to it from their moral and financial means.

All employes of our textile mills are eligible to membership in the Carders and Pickers' union, providing there does not exist a union of their own craft, when in such case they cannot become members of the Carders and Pickers unless they present the union card of their respective trade. We are positive in our conviction that many unions among our mill people and each making herculean efforts to exist on small revenues are impotent and we urge a concentration of power. Let those who are not yet enrolled in the army of organized labor present their names and dues to the Carders and Pickers' union that will be peerless in ways, means and resources, to work out the eventual amelioration of the hard working, honest men and women, who are housed up away from pure air in huge buildings that are anything but places of recreation.

THOMAS F. CONNOLLY, Sec.,
Lowell, Dec. 29.

RESOLUTIONS FOR THE BOERS.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

MANCHESTER, N. H., Dec. 30.—The New Hampshire section of the Ancient Order of Hibernians has passed resolutions favoring the South African republic in its war with England.

Beware of Ointments for Catarrh that contain Mercury,

as mercury will surely destroy the sense of smell and completely derange the whole system when entering it through the mucous surfaces. Such articles should never be used except on prescriptions from reputable physicians, as the damage they will do is ten fold to the good you can possibly derive from them. Hall's Catarrh Cure, manufactured by F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, O., contains no mercury, and is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. In buying Hall's Catarrh Cure be sure you get the genuine. It is taken internally and is made in Toledo, Ohio, by F. J. Cheney & Co. Testimonials free.
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A good liver pill does something more than simply move the bowels. If that's all you want, there are a thousand things you could use just as well. But what you want is something to act on your liver.

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RICHARD CROKER

The Democratic Leader to be Honored in Dublin

By Associated Press to The Sun.

DUBLIN, Ire., Dec. 30.—Lord Mayor Tallon of Dublin, it has been learned from letters received here yesterday, has started a movement to have a life size bust of Richard Croker placed in the council chamber of the Irish capital. It is to be in recognition of his act and generosity in raising the Tammany hall fund for the preservation of the Parnell estate at Avondale, county of Wicklow, Ireland.

The matter will be taken up officially by the municipal council of Dublin at the first session after Jan. 1.

At the suggestion of John E. Redmond, M. P., the Irish Nationalists of all parties are subscribing to a fund to secure a portrait of Mr. Croker, which will be hung on the walls of the "Antient" concert room in Dublin. The members of the Parnell family, who at present occupy the Parnell mansion, will extend to Mr. Coker a special invitation to make it his home whenever he visits Ireland. A special guest chamber, it is said, will be fitted up and set aside for any distinguished Tammanyite who may happen along.

SUNDAY SERMONS

TO BE PREACHED IN THE DIFFERENT CHURCHES TOMORROW.

First Congregational—Morning, "Year's Balance Sheet;" evening, "Closing Up Accounts."

First Primitive Methodist—Morning, "The Permanent Perfection and Judgment;" evening, Sunday school concert.

Primitive M. E.—At 10.30 p. m., a union watch night service will be held.

First Trinitarian Congregational — Morning, "A Wonderful Year;" singing by chorus and children's choir; 12 m., a grand review lesson in the Sunday school; 6 p. m., a New Year's meeting and roll call for the Y. P. S. C. E.; 7 p. m., illustrated lecture, "In His Steps."

Salvation Army—Holiness meeting, 11 a. m., children's meeting, 1.45; song and praise meeting, 3 p. m.; gospel meeting 7.30; Capt. Lasner with the string band will assist. The Lawrence string band will be with the Salvationists Saturday night and conduct the service.

Free Church—Morning, "Making Old Things New."

Unity Meeting House—Afternoon at 4 o'clock, "Unitarianism and Plain People."

St. Paul's M. E.—Morning, "Time and Eternity;" evening, watch-night service beginning at 7, "The Great Prize Fight Between Good and Evil." Pastor Staples. At 9.30, preaching by Rev. Smith T. Ford.

Centralville M. E.—Morning, "Last Things;" evening, "Moses Before Pharoah," illustrated.

Second Church of Christ, Scientist—Morning, "God."

Paige street Baptist—Morning, "Past Better Than Present;" evening, at 7 o'clock, "What I Saw and Heard." At 9.30, sermon by Rev. A. E. Kenyon.

First Presbyterian—Morning, "The Value of Fifty-Two Sabbaths;" evening, "The Decisive Evidence of Christianity."

Highland Congregational—Morning, preaching service; evening, union memorial service for D. L. Moody at Branch street Tabernacle.

Highland M. E.—Morning, "A Last Word;" evening, a watch night service, sermon by Rev. Louis Blanchet.

Fifth street Baptist—Morning, sermon by Mr. J. Bruce Gibson of Brown University; evening, "The Message of the Year."

Union Free Baptist—Morning, preaching; evening, "God Requireth the Past."

First Universalist—Morning, "Forgetting the Things That Are Behind."

Central M. E. (Corner of John and Paige streets.)—Morning, Evangelist E. P. Telford, of London, England, will preach, and at the watch night services to begin at 8.15 p. m. and close at 12 in Monday morning John street Congregational will unite in this service. Rev. G. H. Johnson, Thomas Judge and Rev. Mr. Meredith also will speak. S. S. concert at 6.45 p. m. No Epworth League because of watch night services.

Pawtucket—Morning, "Be Ready;" evening, "The New Year."

First Church of Christ (Scientist)—Morning, "God."

Worthen Street M. E.—Morning, "Taking Account of Stock;" 7, watch night love feast; 8.30 to 12, union watch night service.

Grace Universalist—Morning, "Day by Day."

Hildreth, Dracut—Morning, "What I Have Written, I Have Written;" 7, meeting will be led by Mrs. Richardson.

Christadelphian Ecclesia — Morning, "The Truth as it is in Jesus."

Westminster Presbyterian—Morning, "A Happy New Year;" evening, "Life and Labors of the Late D. L. Moody."

Immanuel Baptist—Mr. F. A. Hayward who is studying at Hamilton, N. Y., will preach morning and evening.

Eliot—Morning, Prof. W. H. Ryder; evening, Sunday school concert postponed from last week.

Ayer City Mission—At 3 o'clock Mr. Robert Morris of Andover, Mass., will preach.

MAINE CIVIC LEAGUE

MAKING A FIGHT AGAINST LIQUOR SELLERS.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

BATH, Me., Dec. 30.—The branch of the Maine Civic League has taken a new move in the enforcement of the prohibitory law in this city. The Rev. C. A. Perry, president of the league, has issued a circular calling the attention of hotel and restaurant keepers to Chap. 75 of the Revised Statutes of Maine, which says that all innkeepers and victuallers shall take out a license and give a bond of $300 not to break the conditions of that license, one of these conditions being that they shall not violate any laws of the state pertaining to liquor.

It is said that the league may try to have the license of all restaurant and hotel keepers who sell liquor revoked and their bonds forfeited. It is reported that the league will notify all persons having buildings where liquor is sold that if it be proven that liquor is sold upon their premises they will be prosecuted.

At the present term of court 45 indictments for liquor selling have been returned. It is said this includes about every person in the county who sells liquor.

LONG WAIT REWARDED

MRS. BROWN HAUNTED NEWBURG STATIONS FOR YEARS, HOPING FOR SON'S RETURN.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

NEWBURG, Dec. 30.—The end came happily to Mrs. Ellen Brown because the son for whom she had waited and watched for ten years was at her side. Yesterday he followed her to the grave.

Everybody in Newburg knew the sad-faced little woman who had haunted railroad stations and boat landings for a decade. Often she went across the river to Fishkill to watch the arrival of the New York Central trains.

"I am waiting for my son," she told those who questioned her. "He will come back to me some day."

Richard Brown was only seventeen when he left his home. His mother never heard from him.

A month ago Mrs. Brown became grievously ill and was taken to St. Luke's hospital. The doctors knew that she would not leave it alive. Each morning she asked if there was news from her son. They knew that it was the longing to see him that kept her alive.

A week ago Richard Brown returned to Newburg. He went to the hospital. There was no surprise in the little mother's face, but only a great joy.

From that time she failed rapidly. She died with her boy's hand in hers, with peace and happiness in her heart.

COOLNESS SAVED LIFE

ENGNIEER WAS UNDER LOCOMOTIVE WHEN HIS TRAIN WAS RUN INTO.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

NEW YORK, Dec. 30.—By unusual presence of mind, John Welch saved himself from instant death last night at Bellmore, L. I. He was the engineer of a passenger train that was run into by the Amagansett freight.

At the moment of the impact he was under his locomotive attending to the machinery. When he felt the shock, he instinctively grasped the crossbars of the engine and together with the ponderous machine was shot ahead over the railroad ties for more than eighty yards.

When extricated from his position, Welch, who is forty-five, and lives at Long Island City, was found to be badly bruised and injured internally. His hurts are not thought to be fatal, however.

The passenger train is made up each evening at Bellmore, L. I., and runs from that point to Jamaica. The process had been followed as usual last night but the red lights had not yet been hung out from the rear car when the Amagansett fast freight came around the curve. It crashed into the standing train.

Prove all Things

This Old, Old Command is Easy to Fulfill in Lowell.

To win a wager, an English Marquis stood on London bridge and offered for an hour British sovereigns ($5) for five shillings ($1.25). He could not find a customer. There are several good reasons why the ordinary mortal could not be induced to buy, but no reason can be given why Lowell people will not accept the following convincing proof about Doan's Kidney Pills. Read this:

Mrs. James O'Connell of 158 Colburn street says: "What everybody praises must be good. This old adage applies with force to Doan's Kidney Pills. One frequently hears them spoken of, always in terms of praise. We procured them at Ellingwood & Co.'s drug store, corner of Merrimack and Central street, and the results obtained from their use in our family leads me to gladly testify to their great value."

Doan's Kidney Pills for sale by all dealers, price 50 cents. Mailed by Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, N. Y. Sole agents for the U. S. Remember the name Doan's and take no other.

LOW TEMPERATURES

CONTINUE FROM ROCKY MOUNTAIN REGION EASTWARD.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 30.—Low temperatures continue from the Rocky Mountain region eastward. Fair and continued cold weather is indicated from the Mississippi valley eastward Saturday and Sunday. As the prevailing high pressure will continue to dominate conditions over this district for at least two days longer, west of the Mississippi valley it is likely that the conditions will be influenced by the eastward movement of the low area now on the Pacific coast and increased cloudiness with moderating temperatures. For the Atlantic coast winds will continue fresh to the north.

DELIGHTFUL GERMAN.
Miss Jessie Ames gave a delightful German at the Ames residence last evening in honor of her cousins, the Misses Dunn and young friends who are home for the Christmas holidays. There were about fifty persons in the party.

"I had a running itching sore on my leg. Suffered tortures. Doan's Ointment took away the burning and the itching instantly and very quickly effected a permanent cure."

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SUN LATEST FIVE O'CLOCK.

BOER TRIUMPHS

A Shell Plays Havoc in Ladysmith

German Steamer Captured as a Prize—Consul Hay and Notables Leave London — Two Kaffir Camps Captured by the Boers—Chicago Offers 50,000 Men to the Boers

By Associated Press to The Sun.

LONDON, Dec. 30.—The Marseilles correspondent of the Daily Mail telegraphing the substance of an interview with the Russian general Gourke, eldest son of the famous Gourke, who is now about starting for Pretoria, says that the Russian officer made the following statement:

"I have been offered the command of a Boer army corps. In my own mind, I am absolutely confident of the success of the Boers. You may take my word for it that thousands of Russians are now fighting under General Joubert."

Sir Chas. Dilke, in the Daily Chronicle this morning discusses Great Britain's relation to Delagoa Bay with regard to the food question. He says:

"It would be one of the greatest follies the country could commit to disregard the possibility of a war some day against a powerful naval coalition in which event it would be to the interests of the United States to feed Great Britain. Great Britain must endure the present conditions, possibly, doing something by pressure on the Portuguese officials and strengthening the British consular staff at Delagoa Bay."

The Daily Chronicle in an editorial dealing with the dependence of Great Britain upon the United States for food in time of war, expresses the opinion that many British ships would be transferred to the United States flag.

The Daily Mail asserts that several guns have been removed from the forts at Plymouth by night and that these will be sent to Cape Town.

The Times publishes the following despatch from Chieveley Camp, dated December 24:

"Parties of Boers approached today within three miles of Chieveley Camp, threatening our watering parties who are compelled to go some two miles owing to the scarcity of water. It is reported that the Ladysmith garrison made a sortie on Thursday and captured a hill."

BURGHERS CAPTURE KAFFIRS.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

PRETORIA, Dec. 26, by way of Lourenzo Marquez, Dec. 28.—Commandant Swart reports from the laager at Alowyn Kop, near Zeerust, that he had an engagement on Friday, December 22, with Kaffirs in the neighborhood of Derdorpoort. The Kaffirs occupied a strongly fortified ridge and were well heavy fighting the burghers captured the Kaffir position, losing three killed and five wounded.

LADY WILSON'S RETREAT.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

MAFEKING, Dec. 10 (by native runner to Mochudi)—Lady Sarah Wilson, who has returned here is living in a bomb-proof shelter of her own construction under the private residence of Mr. Weil. There she is enabled to exist with some degree of comfort and if she chooses to spend a part of the time in the house, her shelter is close enough to enable her to take cover between the ring of the warning bell and the arrival of the projectile. The correspondent of the Associated Press in Mafeking to whom she granted an interview was struck with the fact on entering her bomb-proof refuge, that she is unquestionably an old campaigner. Even in this noisome dark hole, dug under the ground, she manages to make herself comfortable. She has whiskey and soda, as well as sigarettes, to offer visitors.

Lady Sarah's adventures were exciting, sometimes amusing and often spiced with considerable danger. It was on a Thursday that she left Mafeking. She arrived at Setlagoli hotel that night. Before morning she was aroused by the rattle of musketry and the boom of guns. It was Captain Nesbitt of the Mashonal and mounted police, now a prisoner in the hands of the Boers, who was fighting desperately, unable to get back or to go forward, but holding the wrecked armored train until the last. As soon as daylight would allow, Lady Sarah pluckily rode to the scene of action and photographed the wreck.

Finding that her presence at Setlagoli exposed her to insults, the Boers moved her to Mositi, where she enjoyed the hospitality of a colonial farmer. By means of heavy bribes she persuaded natives to carry information to and fro.

Extraordinary stories regarding her were circulated among the Boers. One was that she was the wife of an English general, and that she was a granddaughter of the Queen, who had come to spy upon the doings of the Boers, and a third that she was the only male survivor of Mafeking, having escaped in the guise of a woman.

Lady Sarah visited Vreyburg. She was driven there by a young Boer, who passed her off as his sister. She found loyalists, who gave her official dispatches and news. On visiting the hospital, she found that orders had been issued that no one should leave the town. The gallant Boer had to answer some curious questions put by the landrost before he could get permission for himself and his "sister" to leave. They set out at 4 o'clock in the morning in fear of being recognized and got safely away.

After the Boers discovered that she had been mixed up in dispatch running, she went to Commandant Snyman's camp with a view of getting back to Mafeking, but Snyman refused to let her go to Mafeking or even to Setagoli. He proposed sending her to Heerust as a prisoner of war or, as an alternative, to release her, if Viljoen were given up by the British.

At first she refused to ask Colonel Baden-Powell to do this; but finally she changed her mind. Lady Sarah gathered from her varied experiences among the Boers that they are heartily sick of the war.

LADYSMITH HARD PRESSED.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

LADYSMITH, Dec. 24, via Pietermaritzburg.—Gen. White has had a slight attack of fever, but he is now convalescent.

The Boer shell fire has been very damaging recently. On Friday one shell killed six men and wounded nine. The same missile killed 14 horses. Another just missed the fifth lancers lines slightly wounding six officers. Several shells have fallen close to General White's house compelling the removal of headquarters to another point.

It is reported that General Joubert is again in command of the Boers here. The military authorities appear confident, but they are very reticent.

Boers have been observed moving northward and westward in large numbers.

LADYSMITH STRUCK HARD.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

PRETORIA, Dec. 26, via Lourenzo Marques, Dec. 28.—Commandant Snyman reports as follows from Molepo:

On Monday morning the enemy from Mafeking attacked one of our forts in force, with cannon, Maxims and an armored train, and so persistently that there was fighting right on the walls of the fort. But we have retaid our foot. The British loss is reported as 55."

The other commandoes report "all quiet."

The cessation of the usual bombardment of Ladysmith.

Gen. Meyer has recovered and returned to the front.

NEW AID TO BOERS.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

LONDON, Dec. 30.—The Cape Town correspondent of the Daily News says: "A leading resident of Vreyburg who was released by the Boers saw 2000 Colonials from Griqualand west. He says Colonial faces are to be seen everywhere in the Boer ranks."

ORDER FOR 45,000 BELTS.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

WORCESTER, Mass., Dec. 30.—Thos. C. Orndorff, manufacturer of cartridge belts in this city, received an order from the British government yesterday for 45,000 double-bandelerie cartridge belts. It is said that the order is a rush one and the cartridge belts will be shipped to the Transvaal in lots of several thousand each as soon as manufactured.

BULLER'S ATTITUDE.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

LONDON, Dec. 30.—The latest special despatches from Chieveley Camp allot darkly at some important movement as imminent. This is interpreted with some misgivings to mean that General Buller contemplates a renewal of his attempt to relieve Ladysmith.

It is reported by the same dispatches that the Boers have now returned to the north bank of the Tugela river, being afraid that the swollen river may bar their retreat. They are also moving their laagers nearer Ladysmith probably with the intention of putting further pressure on the garrison, which now seems to be suffering pretty heavily from the bombardment.

ATTACKED BOER FORT

BRITISH LOST 109 KILLED AND WOUNDED.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

LORENZO MARQUES, Friday, Dec. 29

Advices received here from Pretoria, under date of Wednesday, December 27, say that an official dispatch from Mafeking announces that in the sortie which the British made from that place December 25, attacking one of the Boer forts with cannon, maxims and an armored train, the British lost 109 men killed and wounded, while the Boers only lost two men killed and seven wounded.

The dispatch adds that Captains Kirkwood and Wrenfell were captured by Boer scouts near Colenso and were being sent to Pretoria.

Ten unloaded shells inscribed "The Season's Greetings" have been fired at Ladysmith.

Ten South African medical students from Edinburg have arrived at Pretoria from Delagoa bay with five tons of medical stores.

A dispatch from the Boer camp at the Modder River, dated Thursday, December 28, reports an artillery duel lasting an hour. On December 25, a British reconnoitering party made a sortie but did not come within the Boer range. The British, December 28, commenced a steady bombardment of the Boer position.

50,000 MEN

PROMISED THE BOERS FROM CHICAGO.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

CHICAGO, Dec. 30.—A special from Cincinnati, O., says:

At a meeting of the Transvaal sympathizers, held last night, a toast to "The United States of South Africa" was proposed by the chairman, who mentioned the members of the future government, Natal, Cape Colony, Orange Free State, Transvaal and Swaziland. Mr. Von Alftow, a relative of President Kruger, made a speech, in the course of which he said:

"We have now 400 Americans well drilled in Pretoria, with 2000 more on the way. Funds are coming from all parts of this broad land. We may need 50,000 men, but we are satisfied that we can have them on time, even with the British blockade."

Contributions to the amount of several thousand dollars were made in secret session.

COUNSUL HAY

UNITED STATES CONSUL AT PRETORIA LEAVES LONDON.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

LONDON, Dec. 30.—Mr. Adelbert S. Hay, the new United States consul at Pretoria, left Waterloo railroad station here this morning for Southampton, on his way to Cape Town. Mr. Hay is charged with many commissions from relatives and friends of the British prisoners at Pretoria.

The same train took Lord Edward Stanley, one of the junior lords of the treasury, and eldest son of Earl Derby, formerly governor-general of Canada. Lord Stanley has been appointed to a position of General Roberts' staff.

Sir William Stokes, surgeon-in-ordinary to Queen Victoria in Ireland and surgeon to the Meath hospital, Dublin, and a number of hospital nurses, also left London for Southampton with Mr. Hay and Lord Stanley.

BOERS KILLED

40 OF THEM FALL VICTIMS TO NAVAL GUNS.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

LONDON, Dec. 30—The reported sortie from Ladysmith resulting in the capture of a Boers position, is not confirmed and apparently is only a Kaffir story. A Chieveley dispatch, dated Friday, Dec. 29, makes no mention of it. The message shows renewed activity on the part of the British, apparently preparatory to some action. The Boer position eastward of the cape was thoroughly reconnoitered December 28, without drawing the enemy.

The naval guns engage in daily practice and it is said on good authority that 30 or 40 Boers have been killed by the firing during two days.

A dispatch from Durban predicts that Ladysmith will be relieved on or about January 7. While there is nothing to bear out this forecast, there is some disposition to believe Gen. Buller is preparing for another attempt to advance, this time an attack on the Boer position on Inhlawe mountain.

Advices from Cape Town say there is a great dissatisfaction there at the action of the British insurance companies, which are retarding volunteering by making policy holders pay their war risk premiums, while the agencies of the leading American companies allow perfect freedom for naval and military service.

The government has accepted 125 Ceylon volunteers, mostly planters and has also accepted the offers of Indian princes to supply horses.

The non-arrival of the Majestic, due at Cape Town Thursday, is causing some surprise among the public, who expected she would maintain her usual trans-Atlantic speed. Shipping circles, however, explain that this is due to the conditions imposed by coaling en route, the necessity of economizing her supply and of traversing her usual rate of speed.

They all say trans-Atlantic liners would be similarly handicapped.

LAWTON'S BODY

Placed on Board the Transport Thomas

IMPRESSIVE SERVICE AT MANILA

There Were Floral Many Offerings

By Associated Press to The Sun.

MANILA, Dec. 30.—The funeral of General Lawton who was killed at San Mateo, December 18, was held this morning with impressive ceremonies. The remains were conveyed from the Paco cemetery down to the Luneta to Pasig and thence to the transport Thomas which sails this afternoon.

As the body was taken from the vault Chaplain Marrin read prayers. The personal staff of the late general was augmented by Color Sergeant Simon, Trumpter Habekam and Privates Okum and Morhosen. The latter, who were closely connected with Gen. Lawton's recent campaigns, bore the casket from the vault to a six horse caisson waiting at the gate. The funeral procession was composed of the band of the 20th regiment, Gen. Hall and his staff, two troops of the Fourth Cavalry, who were with Gen. Lawton at the time of his death, a battery of artillery, a number of clergymen. The Caisson, covered with flowers, the personal staff of the general on foot; Otis and his staff, the foreign consuls in full dress, and the members of the Philippine supreme court. Native delegations from the towns where General Lawton had been stationed, presented wreaths. Women from the same towns waited on Mrs. Lawton yesterday and presented her their condolences and flowers.

Crowds of natives and Americans witnessed the procession, the band playing dirges and the crowds uncovered.

At Pasig the casket was transferred to a tug. "Taps" was sounded and prayers were offered by Chaplain Pierce.

Four enlisted pall bearers will accompany the remains to the United States.

ATTACKED MONARCHY

REPUBLICANS OF PORTUGAL ARE ACTIVE.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

PARIS, Dec. 30.—Advices received in diplomatic circles here says the republicans of Portugal have seized on the alleged Anglo-German-Portugal secret treaty as a weapon to attack the monarchy, asserting that it is evidence of the monarchy's weakness and willingness to sell the Portuguese colonies to fill the depleted coffers of the treasury.

The Figaro says: "King Charles probably will lose his crown if he acquiesces to England's proposal, even under menace."

An interesting piece of diplomatic gossip is that the Portuguese minister in London is a great friend of the Prince of Wales, and in order to please him, practically assured Lord Salisbury that British troops would be permitted to pass through Lorenzo Marquez. But, it is added, when the matter was brought to the attention of the home government, it repudiated the minister's action.

LAWYER MISSING

Richard Law Crump Has Disappeared

By Associated Press to The Sun.

NEW LONDON, Conn., Dec. 30.—Richard Law Crump, a young lawyer of this city, who has been preparing himself for the work of a librarian at Albany, N. Y., has been missing since October 14th, and foul play is feared. He left Albany for this city on the above date, and was known to arrive at the Grand Central depot, New York. It is said he carried a considerable sum of money. The police of New York are working on the case.

Mr. Crump belongs to one of the oldest families in New London.

ERNEST DEAN

PLEADED NOT GUILTY TO BREAKING AND ENTERING.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

ATTLEBORO, Mass., Dec. 30.—Ernest Dean, who was arrested in Cambridge, Mass., several days ago and turned over to officers here, was arraigned in the district court this morning on a charge of breaking and entering a building at Attleboro Falls and pleaded not guilty, was held under $500 for trial Saturday.

NO ADVANCE IN WAGES.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

WATERVILLE, Dec. 30.—It is announced here that the Maine Central railroad company will not grant a general advance of 10 per cent in wages on January 1, as has been frequently reported. It is admitted that wages in the various departments of the road have been for equal in accordance with the amount of labor performed and next week's wages will be equalized as far as possible. The men in most cases will receive advances, varying in amount.

RUN ON A BANK

The Lynn Five Cent Savings Bank

BESIEGED BY ITS DEPOSITORS

On Account of Complication With Globe Bank

By Associated Press to The Sun.

LYNN, Mass., Dec. 30.—A run on the Lynn Five Cents Savings bank began this morning, because of rumors that the bank is involved deeply in the failure of the Globe National bank of Boston. The Five Cents bank held 38 shares of the Globe stock. Its surplus is all of a million dollars, and the bank officials, this morning, state that they can amply meet all demands that may be made on them today. A crowd of depositors appeared as soon as the doors were opened and police officers were summoned to preserve order.

MIDDLESEX MILLS

Employes Get 10 Per Cent Increase

BEGINNING WITH THE NEW YEAR

Over 750 Operatives are Benefited

At last the increase in wages comes to the operatives of the Middlesex Woolen mills, for yesterday Agent Saunders notified the overseer that a new schedule of wages including a 10 per cent. increase will go into effect on Jan. 1, 1900.

That the increase only affects 750 of the 800 operatives is due to the fact that 50 of those who hold official, or semi-official positions were not cut down when the schedule of prices was reduced in 1898, and have been drawing their former wages since that time.

The increase will give to the operatives of these mills higher wages than have ever before been paid by this corporation.

The Greatest Effort

Of our life to wind up the old year with the biggest Friday and Saturday in the history of this store.

Pass Judgment on These Few Unapproachable Values

OVERCOATS.

Mens' $6 Black Beaver Overcoats **$3.98**

Men's $8 Black Kersey Overcoats for **$5.68**

Men's $3 Frieze Overcoats, not all sizes, for **$4.50**

Men's $10 Black Kersey Overcoats for **$7.50**

Men's $18 Full Silk Lined Kersey Overcoats for **$11.88**

Swell Raglan $20 Overcoats to close for **$10.00**

Light Herringbone Raglan Overcoats worth $15 for **$9.88**

This is really a great opportunity to save money. We offer great inducements in every department.

Wonderful Bargains in Boys' Clothes.

Lowell One-Price Clothing Company.

72-86 MERRIMACK STREET.

FOR SALE—Boarding house, with 26 good paying boarders. Inquire at 167 East Merrimack street.

BARKING GUEST.

Get rid of it quick.

DOWS' COUGH CURER

Will knock it out. 25 and 50 cents a bottle, all druggists, or

A. W. Dows & Co.

289 Central Street.

BEGIN THE NEW YEAR RIGHT.

Protect your family and yourself against future want. Deposit in the savings department of the Traders' National bank on or before Wednesday Jan. 3d. Receive interest at the rate of four per cent. per annum commencing January 1st, and compounding twice each year.

TRADERS' NATIONAL BANK

30-40 Mid'sex St. (P. O. ave. Ladies' Entrance, 5 to 9 Middlesex street.

BY ARBITRATION

Mill Labor Differences Will be Settled

A PERMANENT ARBITRATION BOARD

May Soon be Appointed in Chicago

By Associated Press to The Sun.

CHICAGO, Dec. 30—A permanent arbitration board to settle differences between labor unions and contractors and the averting of the chances of a labor war, is practically assured. At the meetings of the trades council and the building trade contractors council yesterday, the report of the joint conference committee representing the two organizations was accepted. The principal recommendation of the conference committee was the establishment of a permanent arbitration board. This board will consist of 11 members and adjudicate all difficulties that may arise. Plans for the formation of this board as recommended by this committee, show a few changes from the original statement presented by Martin B. Madden and accepted on last Tuesday by the committee. The principal change was the recommendation that all difficulties must be settled within one day. This was made at the request of the building trades council delegates, in order that contractors might not be given an opportunity to complete jobs while trouble that had arisen during their erection was being settled by the arbitration board. Another change made at the request of the laboring men was the insertion of a clause providing that the eleventh man should not be a judge. The acceptance of the plan settles the question of sympathetic strikes, as if all troubles are arbitrated there will be no necessity for any kind of a strike, except as a last resort.

AN UP-TO-DATE CONCERN.

Paul O. Kubie, with Louis Alexander, the Central street tailor, goes to New York, Philadelphia and Baltimore for a week, on the lookout for the latest ideas in Sartorial Art. This up-to-date concern keeps in touch with the latest styles by frequent visits to the best tailors in the country, consequently their business is steadily increasing and now customers sent in by old ones is the strongest testimonial that their work is satisfactory and up-to-date in every way. They are both practical men and have had long experience in fine Tailoring establishments, and turn out work in every way equal to the best New York and Boston tailors.

THE WEATHER

By Associated Press to The Sun.

BOSTON, Dec. 30—Forecast for Boston and vicinity: fair and continued cold tonight and Sunday; fresh northwest winds.

Good skating at Long Pond.

THE SUN EXTRA

LIVELY RUNAWAY

Horse Belonging to the N. E. T. & T. Co.

COLLIDES WITH DR. BASS' BUGGY

Boy Run Down by a Mad Driver

Tower's corner was the scene of a lively time this noon about one o'clock. A horse attached to a wagon full of wires and poles belonging to the New England Telephone and Telegraph company was standing with a feed bag over his head on Green street eating his dinner, when in some unaccountable manner he got frightened and tarted up Grech street on the gallop. When he reached Tower's corner, he made a dash for the sidewalk and ran along it until he reached Ellingwood's drug store. Before reaching the drugstore he started for the road again and in trying to get off the sidewalk he collided with Dr. Bass' buggy, which was standing at the corner of Middlesex and Central streets.

When the wagons collided the horses also got tangled up. Several bystanders ran to the assistance of the horses and soon had them untangled. The shaft of the telephone wagon and some of the spokes in the wheels of Dr. Bass' buggy were broken.

While the excitement of the runaway was at its height it attracted a large crowd of people, the whole of the roadway being packed with people. While the crowd was standing in the street, a wagon was driven up at a rapid gait and the driver did not seem to care whether the crowd was there or not for he did not try to stop his horse but drove right through the crowd. Many of the people had narrow escapes from being run down by the horse and wagon and all escaped but one young lad, who refused to give his name. He was knocked down by the horse and the wagon passed over his legs.

Some of the men in the crowd made a grab for the horse's head but the driver whipped up the horse and started up Middlesex street. Some of the men gave chase and finally caught him and turned him over to a policeman. The young lad was not badly hurt, for shortly afterwards he walked away.

Get your money's worth by buying your Coal of W. E. Livingston, 15 Thorndike St.

Putnam & Son

TOUCHY WEATHER THIS!

The old-fashioned kind that makes one think of Ulsters and heavy things.

Start here with respectable All Wool Ulsters, long and comfortable, for **$4.95**

Frieze Ulsters, All Wool, for $5.95 and up to $19.85, with half-a-dozen prices between. Black, Oxford and Olive mixtures—the best ones from Rogers, Peet & Co.

FOR BOYS,

A few Ulsters at practically the half former prices. Those that were $8.00 for **$4.95**

and all the others in proportion.

FLEECED LINED SHIRTS & DRAWERS

for men. Steel mixtures, heavily fleeced, such as you pay half a dollar for in most stores, here **29 Cents**

BOYS' HEAVY FLEECED UNDERWEAR.

Jaeger color, French Necks, pearl buttons, all sizes yet; 38c. goods for **22 Cents**

WINTER CAPS,

double band Knox. Made from heavy boucle, Men's and boys,' were 23c., for **12½ Cents**

10 DOZENS MEN'S HEAVY LEATHER GLOVES,

lined, and with long knitted wool wrists. Same color as Plymouth buck—only they're not buckskin. Regularly 50c., to close for **29 Cents**

PUTNAM & SON,

166 Central Street.

Christmas Drafts

Payable in every town in England, Ireland and Scotland, free of discount. Passage tickets at lowest rates.

J. F. O'Donnell's Steamship Agency, 324 Market St., Cor. Worthen.

Do you want a larger Heating Stove?
Do you want a smaller Heating Stove?
Do you want a better Heating Stove than you have?
Do you want a Heating Stove of any kind?
Coal, Wood, Gas or Oil Stove?

Then come to us. We don't know what the other fellow has for sale, but people who have been around other stores, tell us we have the largest assortment. Cash or credit.

To The People's Favorite Furniture Store.

A. E. O'HEIR & CO., 14, 16 and 18 Merrimack St.

Near Electric Car Waiting Room.

THE SUN LATEST!

5 O'CLOCK

RICH WOMAN SUED

By the Wife of Her Private Secretary

FOR ALIENATING HER HUSBAND'S AFFECTION

History of a Sensational Case and Its Principals

By Associated Press to The Sun.

FISHKILL, N. Y., Dec. 30.—Mrs. Campbell, whose fortune is estimated at $2,000,000, is once more the principal figure in a sensational suit.

This time she has been sued by the wife of her private secretary, Dr. Fred J. Prunier, for alienation of the latter's affections. Papers were served on her today by Lawyer Cushman of Burlington, Vt., who represents Mrs. Prunier.

Mrs. Campbell has one of the handsomest villas here. She is a comely woman, and lives in luxurious style. Dr. Prunier has been an inmate of her home in the capacity of private secretary for two years. His wife has been jealous of Mrs. Campbell for several months. Two months ago she had him arrested here on a charge of abducting one of their two young children.

Mrs. Prunier and the children live at Burlington, Vt. Mrs. Prunier brought suit for divorce, naming Mrs. Campbell, or Mrs. Ash, as corespondent. The alleged abduction occurred while the suit was pending.

Prunier made a stubborn fight to prevent the Vermont requisition for him being signed by Gov. Roosevelt. He said the charge was trumped up to get him to Vermont so that he might be arrested for non-support or desertion.

He won the fight, was released and returned to his post as private secretary for Mrs. Campbell. Her entire fortune was under his management. Failing to get Prunier to Vermont, a suit for alienation was begun against Mrs. Campbell by Lawyer Cushman.

The sum named as the price of Prunier's affections is $25,000. Lawyer Cushman today subpoenaed as witnesses several of Mrs. Campbell's former servants. The trial will be held in New York.

Mrs. Campbell has figured often before the public. She got the bulk of the large fortune left by William Campbell, the millionaire wall paper manufacturer of this city, whose home was on 58th street when Campbell died in 1897. It was charged that she was never married to Mr. Campbell. She previously had been known as Mrs. Lillian Ash.

Mr. Campbell was extremely fond of her. He cut off his daughter, Mrs. Estelle Leonore Salmon, with $75,000. A contest followed with a long and sensational trial. Joseph H. Choate was counsel for Mrs Campbell and A. H. Hummel appeared for Mrs Salmon.

It was testified that Mrs. Salmon had tried to see her father during his last illness and was refused. The case was settled out of court, the terms being kept secret.

Prunier, who is 32 years old, was Campbell's nurse during the latter's illness. It was while acting in this capacity that he first met Mrs. Campbell. He had previously studied medicine, but his hearing failed and he became a nurse. His engagement to nurse Campbell was his last work of that kind.

SEVERE FAMINE

WILL THROW INDIA IN DIRE DISTRESS.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

BOSTON, Dec. 30—The American Board of Commissioners for Foreign Missions, has received from Rev. R. A. Hume, D. D., at Ahmednagar, India, a letter dated December 2, in which he says that the present famine in western India is sure to be far more distressing than even the awful famine of two years ago.

The whole community in some parts will be in dire distress. Severe drought has already begun in the Ahmednager district. In many places it is hard to get sufficient water to drink and no rain can be expected until the middle of June.

FUNERALS.

HARDING—Impressive services were conducted over the remains of David Harding yesterday afternoon at two o'clock from his late home, 29 South Walker street, by Rev. R. A. Greene. Irene Pludar and Edward E. Adams sang appropriate selections. There were delegations present from Oberlin lodge and Wannalancit Encampment of Odd Fellows. The bearers were Messrs. J. A. Wiley, John Kilpatrick, Jas. Trask and George Farnham. Interment was in the Edson cemetery under the direction of Funeral Director J. A. Weinbeck.

GILCHRIST—Yesterday afternoon at 1 o'clock the funeral of George E. Gilchrist took place from his late residence 37 Lane street. Services were held at house conducted by Rev. C. L. Merriam. There was singing by Mrs. Garr. Interment was in the Edson cemetery under the direction of Undertaker Currier.

AREY—The funeral of Reuben Arey took place yesterday afternoon from his late residence in Boston. The remains were forwarded to this city and Funeral Director J. A. Weinbeck took charge at the depot. Interment was in the Edson cemetery. The deceased is survived by one brother, E. E. Arey.

ALLEN—The funeral of Rufus Allen took place yesterday afternoon from his late residence, 585 School street. Services at the house were conducted by Rev. Mr. Kenngott. The bearers were relatives of the deceased. Interment was in the Edson cemetery, under the direction of Undertaker Currier.

SMITH—Yesterday morning, the funeral of Michael Smith, the young lad who was drowned while skating on Beaver Brook, Dracut, Wednesday morning, took place from the home of his parents in School street, Dracut, at 11 o'clock. The funeral was very largely attended by relatives and acquaintances of the deceased. Among the numerous floral tributes were a mammoth pillow inscribed "Our Son" from the bereaved parents and pillow inscribed "Brother" from brothers and sisters; cross composed of roses and pinks from Mr. and Mrs. Fels and family; basket composed of roses and pinks, Thibeau family of Lawrence; basket, Miss Driscoll, a former teacher of the deceased; spray of white pinks, schoolmates; spray, James H. Rule and family; spray of pinks, Miss Maggie Allen; spray, Miss Louise Hillman. The bearers were Thomas O'Leary, William Roddy, Fred Eckhart, Joseph Smith, Frank Kennedy and Joseph Swift. The remains were forwarded to Amesbury for interment at 12.03 o'clock by Undertaker J. F. O'Donnell.

DAVENPORT—The funeral of Howard Bennett Davenport, son of William E. and Alice, took place yesterday morning at 10 o'clock from the home of his parents in Tewksbury. Services were held at the house, conducted by Rev. C. G. Billings. Interment was in Boston and Undertaker J. B. Currier had general charge.

MINTER—Very impressive services were held yesterday afternoon at 2.30 o'clock over the remains of the late Mrs. James Minter at her home, 93 Rolfe street. The officiating clergyman was Rev. Smith Thomas Ford, pastor of the First Baptist church. Several appropriate selections were effectively rendered by Mrs. W. H. Peplin and Miss Reid, among which were "Abide with Me" and "Rock of Ages." Under the direction of the officiating clergyman, the service usually taking place at the grave was conducted at the house, and was most impressive as he slowly repeated, "I am the resurrection and the life," and the committal service as the ashes fell upon the casket.

Mrs. Minter was born in Chambly, Canada, in 1827, going to Newton to live in 1843. In 1846, she was married to Mr. James Minter. They came to Lowell in 1865, where they have since resided, first in Belvidere and later in their beautiful home in Rolfe street. Twelve successive winters have been spent in Florida.

In 1875 Mrs. Minter joined the First Baptist church during the pastorate of Rev. O. E. Mallory, where she has been one of its most beloved and useful members. Four daughters were born to them, but she is survived by only one, Mrs. Allen C. Sargent of Graniteville. Three years ago, Mrs. Minter and her husband who survives her, celebrated the fiftieth anniversary of their marriage. Her charities were quiet but numerous and her life beautiful in its domestic relations. She occupied no public position but adorned the home and the church and found her fullest satisfaction in making others happy.

Interment was in the Lowell cemetery under the direction of Undertaker J. B. Currier.

UNIQUE CALENDAR

FARTHER LIGHTS SOCIETY RAISING MONEY FOR MISSIONS.

An ambitious effort for the cause of missions has been made by the Farther Lights, a young ladies' missionary society of the Branch street Baptist church of this city in the publication of an illustrated missionary calendar of 60 large pages, 7 by 11 inches, with a selection for each day of the year by Lowell people, and men and women of prominence on both continents. There are "cuts" of more than 60 contributors, including the late D. L. Moody, Rev. Wm. Edgar Geil, the evangelist who is soon coming to Lowell, and other evangelists, Mr. Sankey, Frederick H. Jacobs, both names coupled with Mr. Moody's, and other gospel singers and hymn writers. There are also many other faces familiar in Lowell. All profits from sale of the calendars will be devoted to missions. A limited number of the calendars will be on sale at the rooms of the Y. W. C. A. and the Y. M. C. A.

The presswork is by The Sun Job Print and is very beautiful.

Orders should be placed at once to secure calendars. Price in mailing envelope, 35 cents each. Postage, 5 cents extra.

DUKE OF CONNAUGHT.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

LONDON, Dec. 30—The Queen has approved the appointment of the Duke of Connaught as commander-in-chief of the British forces in Ireland.

DEATHS

FOX—The many friends of Catherine Fox, wife of Police Officer Edward Fox, will be pained to hear of her demise which occurred last night at St. John's hospital. Deceased was a devout member of the Sacred Heart church and was well liked by all who had the pleasure of her acquaintance. Her death was very sudden, as she was only taken ill last Tuesday. Besides being survived by a husband, she leaves three daughters, Mary, Elizabeth and Margaret, the well known Training school teacher, and one son Edward. She is also survived by a brother, Joseph Gagon of Oxford, Mass., and a sister, Bessie Gagon of this city. The remains were removed from St. John's hospital this morning to her late home, 8 Eddy street, by Undertaker J. F. O'Donnell.

CRONIN—Timothy Cronin, aged 61 years, died early this morning at his home, 5 Little street. Deceased prior to his demise, was an employe of the city. Besides a wife, Hannah, he is survived by one daughter, Lizzie; a sister, Mrs. Jeremiah Sullivan, and a brother, Michael, who is now out west. Deceased was a devout member of St. Patrick's parish and was an old resident of this city. The funeral will take place Sunday afternoon at 3.30 o'clock.

MAGUIRE—James, son of John E. and Mary Maguire, aged 3 years and 7 months, died Friday at the home of his parents, 64 Charles street.

DE CARTERET—Ann Marie, aged 27 years, wife of Arthur De Carteret, died at her home in North Chelmsford Thursday.

WHITES HAVE THE PLAGUE.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

MELBOURNE, Victoria, Dec. 30—Advices from Noumea, New Caledonia, say that five whites there have been attacked by the plague. One of them has since died. Fifteen Kanakas and Chinese have died from the plague and 12 are under treatment.

"A Good Maxim is Never Out of Season."

Neither is a good family medicine, like Hood's Sarsaparilla. It tones up the system, cures catarrh, rheumatism, scrofula and all stomach troubles, and wards off sickness. All who are weak and worn by the effects of illness or overwork find in its use appetite, strength and health.

Hood's Sarsaparilla

Never Disappoints

MR. MORRIS M. NASH APPOINTED SUPERINTENDENT OF THE LOWELL AND SUBURBAN STREET RAILROAD COMPANY.

THE CLOSING DAY

Of the Municipal Year of 1900

PREPARATIONS FOR INAUGURAL EXERCISES

Another Candidate Mentioned for Cheney's Job

It was the last day, all but one of the old year at city hall yesterday and every one was busy for even City Messenger Fagan with the sword of Damocles just scraping his neck was making ready for the new regime. "No one will be able to say that I didn't leave the place looking clean," remarked the city messenger as he looked at the work of his help.

And in that respect he was quite right for the neat appearance of the hall at all times during the year has called forth many complimentary remarks from visitors. Two of his principal hustlers, Janitor Delmage and Assistant Janitor Fagan, father of the city messenger, are veterans of the civil war and cannot be removed without cause other than partisan grounds and for that fact all lovers of cleanliness are duly grateful.

Mayor Crowley was about all day, and received many visitors. His work on the inaugural was finished a day ago and late yesterday afternoon he received the printed slips of the address for final corrections.

The usual crop of candidates loafed about at different times during the day but the workers were too busy to give them much attention.

In the superintendent of streets' office, where Cheney and Beals and Mack do their work in silence each mentally pitying the other as he figures out his own majority, there was no one present but George Frye who during all the trouble, knows nothing and hears nothing except what he's paid to know and hear. George could not tell how it was looking or how many candidates are in the fight.

At Thursday's meeting of the overseers of the poor nothing that would indicate how the overseers stood as regards Messrs. Wyman and Pinder appeared above the surface but there were deep whisperings and sly investigations that betokened some deep-laid plot. Supt. Wyman and Col. Pinder were both at city hall yesterday morning as they are nearly every day and they greeted each other frostily as usual. Some one suggested that as long as the city has started to pension police officers it might go further and retire perennial office seekers on a pension. If such were the case none would be more eligible than the colonel who probably beats all local records for holding salaried offices.

THE INAUGURATION.

The inauguration of the new city government will take place in the aldermen's chamber at city hall on Monday morning.

The exercises will begin at nine o'clock and it is the desire of the mayor that they be carried out on time as planned.

Preceding the inauguration there will be the customary reception in the reception room at which the ex-mayors of the city are expected to be present.

Judge Samuel P. Hadley will administer the oath and the prayer for the success of the year's administration will be made by Rev. Michael O'Brien. After the mayor has read his inaugural address the joint convention of the city council will be dissolved and the two branches will proceed to organize and ballot for city officials.

Officers of the High school battalion will officiate as ushers at the inaugural exercises and admission will be by card. The clergymen of the city, both Protestant and Catholic, are among those invited to be present.

The final arrangements for the inauguration day exercises were completed this noon and the city messenger's help went to the assistance of City Clerk Dadman, who sent away copies of the Lowell city documents to all the cities of the commonwealth.

In all the departments the clerks were busily engaged on the bills for the month, getting them ready for the committee on accounts which will meet tomorrow. The committee intended to meet his afternoon but the bills will not all be ready at that time and hence a Sunday meeting will be necessary.

Buy Hovey's Mandolins.

MORRIS M. NASH

Appointed Suprintendent to Succeed Mr. Begley

Manager Woodman of the Lowell and Suburban railway company, has appointed Morris M. Nash, who has been in the employ of the road for the past six years to the vacancy caused by the death of the late superintendent, Philip T. Begley.

The appointment was made yesterday afternoon and reflects credit on the judgment of the manager and is a mark of appreciation toward Mr. Nash. Mr. Nash is a practical railroad man and has a thorough knowledge of electricity as applied to street railways. He has attained his present high position through exceptional merit and steady application. Mr. Nash began his career in electrical railroading in Auburn, N. Y. where he worked for the Auburn street railway as a motorman. In less than a year he had so far advanced in his knowledge of electricity as a motive power for street cars that he was not only able to run a car, but could make any necessary repairs.

When the Globe Street Railway company of Fall River was being changed from horse to electric power, Mr. Nash assisted in the installation of the electric system and after the work had been completed he was given charge of the motor repair department. In 1893 he came to Lowell to take charge of the repairs of cars at the power station where he was foreman until July 1 when he was appointed master mechanic of the Merrimack Valley division of the Massachusetts Electric companies.

Mr. Nash is a young man and his rapid advancement should be an incentive to all young men. He is only 36 years of age and in nine years has worked himself upward from motorman to superintendent. He is married and has an interesting family of four children. Mr. Nash lives at 23 Burnside street. Supt. Nash will begin his duties January 1st.

ASSISTANT POSMASTER

EDWARD C. MANSFIELD APPOINTED FOR BOSTON.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

BOSTON, Dec. 30.—Boston's new postmaster called at the post office yesterday morning and spent an hour in going over the details of the office. Mr. Hibabrd will commence the duties of his new position Monday morning next. Acting postmaster Henderson introduced him to the heads of departments. Mr. Hibbard will have as his assistant Sec. Edward C. Mansfield of the republican club of Massachusetts, who will be made assistant postmaster.

MAN HURT

IN THE BOSTON SUBWAY LAST NIGHT.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

BOSTON, Dec. 30.—As a result of an accident in the subway last night at the Boylston street station, C. B. Heath 61 years of age, of 14 Worcester square is at the emergency hospital in a serious condition. When he was taken to the hospital he was so dazed that he was unable to tell how it occurred but it is said he was struck by a car he was trying to board.

He sustained three wounds of the scalp, one of his left ribs was fractured and his neck and shoulder were sprained and it was thought that he had received internal injuries. At a late hour last night his name was placed on the dangerous list.

KIPLING IS ILL.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

LONDON, Dec. 30.—Rudyard Kipling, his wife and two children are confined to their rooms, suffering from influenza, but there is no anxiety as to their condition.

THE STREET CARS

Are to Run all Night Sunday

FOR THOSE ATTENDING MIDNIGHT MASS

The Sun's Suggestion Favorably Received

The Sun's suggestion that the street railroad run cars late Sunday night for the accommodation of those who wish to attend the midnight mass services in the Catholic churches has received the favorable consideration of the street railroad company and cars will be run through at noon it had not been decided just which lines will be favored.

The vesper service at the Immaculate Conception church will be omitted tomorrow evening and the Fathers will devote their time from 6 o'clock to the hearing of confessions. Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament will be given immediately after the high mass Sunday.

BIG STORE BURNED

FURNITURE STORE OF LINDSEY & MORGAN DESTROYED.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

SAVANNAH, Dec. 29.—The furniture store of Lindsey and Morgan and the dry goods store of Daniel Hogan were burned tonight. Loss $150,000; insurance about 60 per cent.

LONDONERS

TO RIDE ON TROLLEY CARS.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

LONDON, Dec. 29.—The trolley car, which heretofore has been kept out of conservative old London, will soon be humming through her streets and there isn't any doubt that they will be American built and American equipped vehicles. The county council has decided to instal the underground electric system at a cost of three millions sterling or nearly $15,000,000. It will apply to parliament for permission to make the expenditure. Plans have not been completed but it seems probable that the method to be adopted will be that in use on the Eighth avenue line in New York. London has been singularly slow in adopting improved methods of tramway propulsion. Like New York she allowed herself to be outstripped for years by smaller cities.

Glasgow which is one of the most go-ahead cities in Great Britain, and owns her street car service was ahead of London in deciding on an underground trolley system. Some time ago it decided to expend $15,000,000 on an electric plant and all the conduits, cables, electric appliances and one thousand cars have been contracted for in the United States.

When London gets its trolley cars in operation, the Cockney will be better off than the New Yorker for he will be able to ride the average distance that he wants to go for fares of two and three cents, though the cars will never be allowed to go as fast as they do in New York nor would this city stand the jugernaut murders of Brooklyn.

LOTS OF SHOES

SHIPPED FROM BROCKTON DURING THE YEAR.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

BROCKTON, Mass., Dec. 30.—Over half a million cases of shoes were shipped from this city during the year 1899, the exact number being 621,185. This is the largest in the history of the trade in Brockton.

Last year a total was 477,703 cases. The increase over last year was 46,452 cases.

Taking 21 pairs as a fair average of the number in a case, there were over 11,000,000 pairs of shoes shipped this year. In addition to this, there are thousands of pairs sent by mail of which no record is kept.

The shipments for the 10 years prior to 1899 averaged 410,000 cases per year.

COMMUNICATION.

Mr. Editor:—Allow me space in your valuable paper to say a few words about that 10 per cent. raise, which was advertised at the Talbot mills of Billerica. The raise given by this company is only 3 per cent. of what was promised. The yard hands' pay remains the same, although it was understood that they were included in the advance in wages.

This hardly fair. It is hard enough to receive an advance of 3 per cent., when we were promised 10 per cent., but to cut the yard hands out of an increase entirely is too much.

Thanking you for the space, I remain
A YARD HAND.

Hovey's Banjos, 9 1-2 Wyman's Exchange.

Good skating at Long Pond.

A Clothing Crash Caused by the Tight Money Market.

One of the most widely and favorably known New York pantaloon manufacturers, unable to obtain accommodation at the banks, was forced to sacrifice part of his stock to avert disaster. The result is that we have today about 500 PANTALOONS in neat Oxford gray stripe wool cheviot.

At 89c., Worth $1.50

250 PANTALOONS, in all wool pin check, smooth-faced cheviot.

At 98c., Worth $1.75

600 PANTALOONS in very heavy winter strictly all wool cheviots and cassimeres, in a dozen different shades every one a desirable style.

At $1.50 worth $2.50 and $3,

500 ALL WORSTED PANTALOONS, in neat dark stripes, very dressy.

At $2, worth $3.50 and $5

There is a big loss on each pair of pants to the New York manufacturer and a corresponding gain to the people of Lowell who will buy these goods.

J. L. CHALIFOUX.
Central and Middle Sts.

FOUND NOT GUILTY

Provision Dealer Charged With Selling Undressed Poultry

THE COMPLAINT MADE BY LAWYER HUNT

Fine of $100 in Liquor Case Imposed

Only three drunks appeared in the police court before Judge Hadley this morning.

Michael Rock, a first offender, was assessed $2, and Rose Lee was ordered placed in charge of the probation officer for a term of six months.

Harry Percival pleaded guilty to a charge of drunkenness. He was formerly for many years in the U. S. navy. His wife testified that he has been of no help to her since his return and that he has been intoxicated nearly all the time. On promise that he would enlist in the navy again the court released Percival.

James H. Lynch pleaded guilty to a charge of illegal keeping and was fined $100.

The court rendered its decision in the case of George R. Myers, proprietor of the Central market, charged with the sale of undressed poultry, which was tried in police court Tuesday, but the court reserved its decision until today. The complaint was made by Lawyer John L. Hunt, who claimed he purchased a turkey for Thanksgiving at the defendant's store. He claimed the turkey contained its crop and entrails and went bad. He ate the turkey Thanksgiving and all of his family, including himself were made ill. Mr. Myers, on the other hand, claimed that he has given his clerks strict orders not to sell poultry that contained its crop and entrails, and thought his orders were being carried out.

The court found Myers not guilty and ordered him discharged. D. J. Donahue, Esq., appeared for the defendant.

FOUR MEN KILLED

In a Boiler Explosion This Morning

SEVERAL OTHERS SERIOUSLY INJURED

The Men Were Railroad Men

By Associated Press to The Sun.

LANCASTER, Pa., Dec. 30.—Four men were killed and several others injured by a boiler explosion one mile west of Elizabethtown this morning. They were employes of Keller & Cresson, railroad contractors. The dead were:

Donald Haldeman of Bainbridge.
Wit Sherbauhn of West Donegal.
Burt Harris, a negro.
An Italian known as Tony.

The latter was hurled one hundred and fifty feet.

MAINE HERO'S FUNERAL.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

NEW YORK, Dec. 30.—The funeral of Frederick Holzer, 22 years of age, one of the victims of the battleship Maine, took place in this city today. The services were held in St. Joseph's church, a requiem mass being celebrated by Rev. Fr. Chidwick, who was the chaplain of the Maine. Fifty members of the Cecilia society and 48 marines and sailors from the navy yard, commanded by Lieut. Dewey, a nephew of Admiral Dewey, formed the guard of honor. A party of 15 marines fired three volleys at the grave.

SEASON'S GREETING

And a Happy New Year we wish to all our patrons.

SUNLIGHT Shoe Store
100 CENTRAL ST.
High Grade Repairing.
W. S. GRADY

LADIES' HIGH CUT

Lace shoes made from box calf stock, double soles, made on mannish lasts, giving room to the feet, making walking a pleasure. They cannot be matched less than $2.50 a pair elsewhere. Our price

$2 A PAIR

J. J. LONERGAN,
215 DUTTON ST.

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Three days commencing Monday, Jan. 1, Wednesday matinee.

EXTRA.

Harry Ryan's Australian Burlesquers.

with Sam Collins, Mamie Cline and Rastus. Direct from Keith's Theatre, Philadelphia, Pa.

THE VICTORIAS,
Introducing
"A NIGHT IN CHINATOWN"
A Celestial Pantomimical Sensation, by Lin-Ching-Foo & Co. Also the One-Act Travesty.
A HIGH BALL.
Seats now on sale.

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Under the Management of Frank G. Mack and Charles P. Dempsey.

Week of Jan. 1, 1900.
Special matinee New Year's Day.
A Great Vaudeville Treat.

THE PATTERSON BROS.
Comedy Triple Horizontal Bar Experts.
THE GREAT SIDONIA,
Novel Changes on the Swinging Wire.
ANNA WHITNEY,
Clever Singer and Monologue Entertainer
PIERCE & EGBERT,
America's Best Song and Illustrators.
Fitzgibbon, McCoy & Fitzgibbon,
Comedy Sketch, "A Mischt vous Dre be."
MASON AND TITIS,
Great Novelty Act, Shadowgraphs.

Matinee, Daily at 2.15.
Prices—10 and 20 cents; evening, 8.15, 30 and 20c.

Odd Fellows Hall, Sunday Dec. 31

LOWELL ORCHESTRAL SOCIETY
SECOND RECITAL
Mr. Josef Adamowski
CELLIST,
From the Boston Symphony Orchestra.
Mr. A. K. Lane,
TENOR, OF BOSTON.

There are some excellent reserved seats left for persons who ... early application ... at ... music store. On and after ... public can buy reserved seats ... recital.

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Prayer Books, Rosery Beads, Religious Pictures and 1000 of Religious Fancy Articles at the lowest prices. Aime Gauthier, 520 Mer'k St. Open ev'gs

New Fish Market

We have opened up a new and strictly up-to-date fish market at 383 Central street, where you will find FISH, FISH of all kinds. Dried and Pickled fish and everything kept in a first-class market.

NEWPORT FISH CO.
383 Central Street.
Telephone Connection.

HAVE YOU SEEN
The New Store at 44 Bridge St.?

We have the very latest and newest styles in capes, jackets, suits, skirts, waist, furs and trimmed hats; also men's and boys' clothing. Cheapest prices. Give us a call and see for yourself our prices and you are sure to be satisfied.

Lowell Co-Op. Supply Co.,
(Formerly of 26 Central Street.)
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At Wholesale and Retail.
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Old City Hall Building.
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Artificial Teeth.

If nature did not provide you with good teeth, then have a set made. Dr. Simmons will make you a set of the best for $5. If you have a set you are not pleased with, you can have them put on a new plate for $5.00. Dr. E. H. Simmons, 211 Central street.

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And Games of Every Kind.

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All the Leading Makes and Sizes.

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For Boys and Girls.

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216 Central Street.

ALLEN CASE ENDS

Famous Contest Over an Estate

BY TWO WOMEN CLAIMING WIDOW'S RIGHTS

Deceased Had Acknowledged a Former Marriage

By Associated Press to The Sun.

BOSTON, Dec. 30.—A climax of a sensational nature was reached in yesterday's hearing on the petition of Mrs. Harriet E. Allen of Portland, Me. to be appointed administratrix of the estate of Supt. Elbridge G. Allen of the New York, New Haven and Hartford R. R., before Judge McKim in the Suffolk county probate court. It was in effect the introduction of testimony to show there is no record of the marriage of the petitioner with Mr. Allen as was claimed, at the Park street church in this city. The church records were apparently supported by the state record of marriages.

The petition is opposed by Mrs. Flora E. Allen who claims a widow's title as the dead man's second wife, alleging that Mrs. Allen No. 1 was never married. The petitioners claim marriage in 1872. Mrs. Allen No. 2 was married in New York last January. The case for the respondent is now on, the petitioner's case having been ended.

John E. Parker of the Park street church said that Mrs. Harriet Allen called on him in November and inquired as to the whereabout of Rev. Mr. Murray. She said she wished to substantiate her marriage.

A letter from Secretary of State Olin introduced, stated that no recorded marriage of Elbridge G. Allen and Harriet E. Snow could be found on the books of the state between 1871 and 1872.

The certificate of marriage of Elbridge G. Allen and Flora Estelle White in New York, Jan. 15, 1899, by D. Asa Blackburn, was introduced, giving Mr. Allen as a single man, as was also a record from books of the Church of the Strangers, showing that the marriage was performed there.

William G. Allen, brother of the late E. G. Allen, testified to meeting Harriet Snow in 1873. She was with his brother but the latter when queried as to whether he was married, said "Not much." At the time of the funeral, Mrs. Allen No. 2 was at the home of the witness. Mr. Allen did not go to Sweden, Me., with the funeral party, but Mrs. Allen No. 2 did. On cross examination witness said Mrs. Harriet Allen was known in Portland as Mrs. E. G. Allen. Supposed she was brother's wife. Knew they were living apart but he supported her.

BASKET BALL

HUDSON DEFEATS THE STRONG MARLBORO B. P. A.

The Marlboro B. B. A., the leading team in the state basket ball league, was defeated at Hudson Thursday night by the Hudsons in a fierce game the score standing 27 to 17 at the close of the game. Jack O'Neil of the Burkes played with the Hudsons and put up a fine exhibition caging two goals from the floor and besides played a general all round good game. The line-up and summary was as follows:

Hudson		Marlboro.
O'Neil, lf		rb, Halloran
Rodger, lf		rb, Reid
Green, c		c, Kynoch
Porter, lb		rf, Doyle, Knox
Howe, rb		lf, Robb

Basket from floor—Reid 3, O'Neil 2, Rodger 2, Green, Howe 2. Baskets on free tries—Porter 7, Reid 11. Missed free tries—Porter, Kynoch, Reid 5. Fouls called—On Knox, Robb 4, Kynoch 2, Halloran, O'Neil 5, Green 5, Porter 6. Referee—H. L. Dadmun.—Timers—F. H. Sawyer, Hudson; John Keane, Marlboro. Time—20-minute halves. Attendance—1200.

GERMAN STEAMER

CAPTURED AS A BRITISH PRIZE AND TAKEN TO DURBAN.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

LOURENZO MARQUEZ, Delagoa Bay, Dec. 30.—The German steamer Bundesrath, belonging to the German East African line, has been captured as a prize and taken to Durban. The Bundesrath arrived here from Mozambique.

The German steamer Bundesrath of 1,519 tons, sailed from Hamburg, Nov. 8, for Tanga, East Africa.

STRIKERS LOSE

STRIKE AT CARPET MILLS WAS SHORT-LIVED.

The strike in the Brussels finishing room in the Carpet mills appears to be off, as some of the strikers returned to work yesterday without their increase while the others were replaced by other workmen.

SURPRISE PARTY.

Last evening there was a pleasant surprise party at the home of Mr. William Hayes, 78 East Merrimack street. During the evening, Mr. Hayes was presented with a quartered oak sideboard. The presentation speech was made by Frank Blake. Dancing, songs and recitations were enjoyed.

EX-POLICEMAN

"JACK" INGALLS TO RECEIVE A TESTIMONIAL.

After the adjournment of the board of aldermen last night Alderman Libby circulated a paper for a fund for the benefit of ex-Patrolman Jack Ingalls. The latter was one of the oldest officers on the police force and was retired under the physical test of the civil service several years ago. He was brought to mind by the recent passage of the police pension bill in which it was of course too late for him to benefit. The paper was headed by Mayor Crowley and signed by several of the aldermen and city hall attaches, most of them $5 subscriptions. It will be extensively signed.

Good skating at Long Pond.

FAVORITE REMEDY WINS

91 Out of Every Hundred Using It Are Cured.

Never Such Searching Investigations Given a Medicine Before.

For Kidney, Liver, Bladder or Blood Diseases It Has No Equal—Trial Bottle Free.

If you are in doubt whether you have Kidney or Bladder disease, just put some of your urine in a glass tumbler and let it stand 24 hours; if it has a sediment, or a milky cloudy appearance, if it is ropy or stringy, pale or discolored, your Kidneys or Bladder are sick.

Other serious symptoms are pain in the back, frequent desire to urinate, especially at night, a burning, scalding pain in passing urine or when your urine stains linen.

The one sure cure for diseases of the Kidneys, Liver, Bladder and Blood Rheumatism, Dyspepsia, Chronic Constipation and the sicknesses peculiar to women is Dr. David Kennedy's Favorite Remedy. It has cured in many cases where all else failed and is sold at all drug stores for $1.00 for a large bottle, or six bottles for $5.00.

By a special arrangement with the manufacturers, we offer our readers the opportunity of getting a trial bottle of this invaluable remedy absolutely free which will be sent postpaid to anyone who will send their address to the Dr. David Kennedy Corporation, Rondout, N. Y., and mention this paper.

The publishers of this paper guarantee the genuineness of this liberal offer.

DRIVEN TO DEATH

Olaf Sundstrom Found Dead in a Hotel

WAS A RESIDENT OF BOSTON.

But Went to New York in Quest of Work

By Associated Press to The Sun.

NEW YORK, Dec. 30.—Because his little children were sick and because he was sick himself and out of work, Olaf Sundstrom committed suicide by cutting his throat with a razor in room 357 of the Grand Union hotel, yesterday afternoon, about 3 o'clock.

The man registered at the Grand Union Dec. 26, signing his name "O. Sundstrom, Boston." Since then he has been daily seen about the office of the hotel. Yesterday morning a chamber maid knocked at his door about 9.30 o'clock and asked if there was anything he wanted done. "No, nothing you can do for me, thank you," was the reply that came over the transom.

There was something strange in his voice, and at 3.15 she told Manager Tarbel she feared something was wrong. Then the door was broken open. Sundstrom's lifeless body was found upon the bed, an ugly wound in his throat, and a razor lying near the right hand.

A letter signed "Your affectionate wife, Evie," dated "The Rochdale," Boston, was among the papers on the dresser. It said:

"The children are very sick, but I hope your health is improving."

This letter was addressed to him "Care of A. Williams, Highlands, Ulster county, New York."

In another letter was found a check in his favor, signed by his brother, William H. Sundstorm, who lives in Boston.

There was an illustration showing a lad kneeling at a woman's feet, with the sentiment: "If you are getting along with enough to eat and enough to cover you, then don't go hunting for a change, for it's mighty apt to be a bad one. For even the faith of God almighty promises only enough." The clipping was evidently from a newspaper.

Sundstorm had recently been employed by the aeolian company, No. 18 West 23d street, but had been forced to give up work on account of ill health. He is said to have suffered from nervous collapse.

BELONGED IN BOSTON.

Olaf Sundstorm was manager of the Aeolian department of M. Steinert & Son's piano establishment at 162 Boylston street, Boston. Two months ago he went to New York city, where he had lived since. Of late he had been somewhat despondent, but none of his associates or relatives ever thought for an instant that he would commit such a rash act. He resided in Hingham.

He had a brother, W. H. Sundstorm, who lives in the Rochdale hotel, Blue Hill avenue, Roxbury. The latter was seen last evening by a reporter, who was the first to bear the sad news to him of his brother's death. He was completely prostrated by it, as Olaf was his only brother, and he had a great affection for him. A short while ago he sent Olaf a check for $50, with which to tide over his difficulties. He could not give any reason for the deed, but thought that it was done in a fit of despondency.

TWO BOUTS

FOR GEORGE GARDINER NEXT MONTH.

George Gardiner, the crack Lowell middleweight, will in all probability figure in two bouts at Lynn next month. The first will be on January 9th, and his opponent will be Harry Fisher of New York, who was defeated by Gardiner at Brooklyn last summer in seventeen rounds. His opponent in the second bout will be a much tougher customer than Fisher. He will be George Byers, the colored middleweight of Boston, rated as one of the best fighters of his class in the country. The second bout will be decided January 27th. Special trains may be run from Lowell for the second fight, and possibly the first, too.

ENGAGEMENT ANNOUNCED.

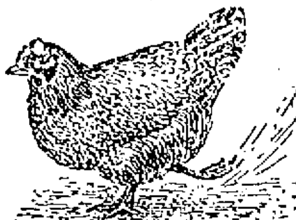
The engagement is announced of Miss Jenny Lind Lewis of this city and Dr. Edward D. Evans of Fargo, North Dakota. Dr. Evans was graduated from the Baltimore Medical college in '97, and was prominent in athletics there, being captain of the foot ball team for two years. Miss Lewis has been spending the winter at her home in Stevens street.

VENUS' SECOND.

The second dance of the Venus Social club was held last night at Manchester Unity hall. A large number were on the floor and enjoyed dancing until a late hour.

The officers were: General manager, John McKenzie; floor director, Frank Lally; assistant, Richard Clayton; aids, William Chisholm, George McClure and Oscar Perrox.

Rev. and Mrs. L. W. Staples gave an informal reception Thursday evening in honor of their son, Charles, who is a student at Middletown, Conn. The guests were intimate friends.



Don't Scratch Along

If hens won't lay when eggs are high, in fall and winter,—make them lay in the old reliable way, tested and proved for over 30 years, with

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It's safe, sure and economical. Makes pullets early layers. Brings moulting hens round quickly.

If you can't get it we send one pack 25c; five, $1. A 2-lb. can $1.20; six, $5. Express paid. Sample of best poultry paper free.

I. S. JOHNSON & CO., Boston, Mass.

TO A NEW OFFICE

Rev. T. J. McCormack for Assistant Chancellor

By Associated Press to The Sun.

BOSTON, Dec. 30.—The Rev. Thomas J. MacCormack of the Cathedral of the Holy Cross has been appointed assistant chancellor of the archdiocese of Boston, which is a new office. The duties will be important.

Fr. MacCormack was born in Boston in 1868, and received his early education in the public schools and was graduated from the Brimmer grammar school. Then he spent a short time in academical studies in Prompton Academy in Pennsylvania, and, returning to this city, entered Boston College, from which he was graduated with the class of '91. He was prominent in literary circles, and served on the board of editors of the Stylus, the college journal. In the fall of '91 he entered St. John's Seminary, Brighton, where he received his priestly training.

At a very early age he became a sanctuary boy at the Cathedral, and has since, as master of ceremonies, seminarian and priest, been closely connected with the Cathedral. For many years as a sanctuary boy, he attended Archbishop Williams. Upon his ordination to the priesthood, Fr. MacCormack was assigned by the archbishop as a curate at the Cathedral, an office seldom trusted to so young a man. At the Cathedral, Fr. MacCormack has been master of ceremonies, a position which calls for an unusual knowledge of the ceremonial and rubrics of the church.

PECULIAR CHILD

REFUSES TO TALK BUT SINGS LIKE A BIRD.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

NEW YORK, Dec. 30.—The case of the little girl with the short black hair who sings but does not talk is still puzzling the headquarters police and Matron Travers. The child is about 4 years old, has black hair cut loose to her head like a boy's, is about three feet in height, weighs about eighty pounds and has dimples and rosy cheeks. She was brought into the Mulberry street station at midnight on Wednesday.

"What is your name, little one?" asked Mrs. Travers as the child entered the room. There was no answer.

"What's the trouble with her, Mr. Williams?" she inquired of the officer.

"Blessed if I know," he replied. "The sergeant and the captain and the reporters and all of 'em up to the Thirty-seventh street station house were trying to find out that same thing, but nobody did."

"Are you hungry?" the child was asked.

For answer she nodded affirmatively.

After the bowl of bread and milk, Mrs. Travers, still puzzling over the strange silence, said:

"Do you like kitties?" She produced a black tabby almost as large as a wild cat, while the child nodded a great deal and began stroking the black fur.

After breakfast the next morning, the canary began to sing. The child sang with it. There were no words to the song. It was a stream of sound, melodious, unbroken.

"Strange!" exclaimed Mrs. Travers, "how can she sing when she will not talk?"

Last night, when Williams got off duty, he hurried down to headquarters to see his ward.

"How's your charge?" he asked of Mrs. Travers.

"Well, she'll never hang herself with talking," she said.

SUNKEN SCHOONER

SIGHTED BY THE BRITISH STEAMER ASHLAND.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

NORFOLK, Va., Dec. 30.—Captain Lewis of the British steamer Ashland from Galveston to Marseilles, via Norfolk, reports that when 25 miles north, one-quarter east of Diamond Shoals lightship, off Cape Hatteras, he passed the wreck of a large three-masted schooner, the only things visible above the water being topmasts. There were no signs of life about the vessel or wreckage floating and the sea was too rough to permit his ship to go near the wreck. The size of the masts indicated a vessel whose crew was not less than ten men. The schooner undoubtedly sank in Saturday night's storm and the men must have gone down with their ship.

JOHN STREET METHODIST CHURCH

Mr. E. P. Telford, the English evangelist, will begin a twelve-day mission in Central church, corner of John and Paige streets, tomorrow morning, at 10.30 o'clock. He will also preach at the union watch meeting which begins at 8.15 p. m., and closes at 12.10 Monday morning. The John street Congregational church will unite in the watch night services. Rev. G. H. Johnson and Thomas Judge will speak. Sunday school concert at 6.45 p. m. No Epworth League on account of the watch meeting.

PUTS FLESH ON THIN PEOPLE

JOHNSON'S DYSPEPSIA CURE

Scientific, Unfailing and Permanent Remedy for Dyspepsia, Indigestion and all Stomach and Nerve Troubles.

Jas. Starin, of St. Paul, Minn., says: "I had always been thin and emaciated; appetite good, but food did not seem to nourish me and had never found anything to do me any good until I commenced to take Johnson's Dyspepsia Cure. I have now been taking it two months, have gained fifteen pounds and am still increasing. It is a wonderful medicine for weak and run down people." Large Boxes, 10c, 25c and 50c.

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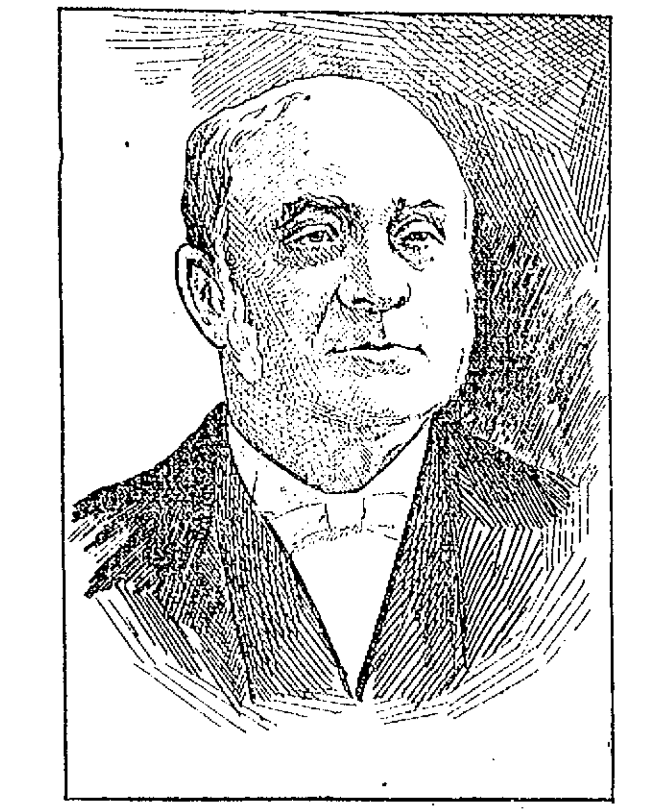
For Sale by All Leading Druggists.



REV. THOMAS HAWORTH, WHO OBSERVES HIS 80TH BIRTHDAY TODAY.

IS EIGHTY YEARS

Birthday of Rev. Thomas Haworth Today

THE VENERABLE CHAPLAIN AT LOWELL JAIL

Sketch of His Honorable Career

Today marks the 80th birthday of Rev. Thomas Haworth, the venerable chaplain of the Lowell jail and in honor of the occasion he will receive his friends this afternoon and evening from 3 to 9 at his home, 335 Moody street.

Rev. Mr. Haworth is a native of Blackburn, England, and came to this country in May, 1850. He comes of staunch Methodist stock, his father and four uncles, brothers of the latter having been preachers in the same denomination.

Mr. Haworth began his career as a preacher when a young man in the old country. After coming to America he was ordained a deacon by Bishop James at an annual meeting in Springfield and four years later was ordained as elder at St. Paul's church in this city where the annual conference was held. His ministerial work in England covered a period of ten years. Though not a college man, Rev. Mr. Haworth was remarkably successful, his career having been self-helping and self-sacrificing. His first work in this country was in Billerica where he preached for five years and started a church. After leaving Billerica, Rev. Mr. Haworth went to Graniteville where for several years he preached in the schoolhouse. His work there was crowned with success and at the time of the civil war, a good church edifice was erected for the use of the Methodist people. On the first day of December, 1867, he held first services at the jail by invitation of Sheriff Kimball. During the administration of Sheriff Cushing he retained his position there and still continues his ministrations each Sunday morning. He draws a salary of $150 a year from the county and helps himself a little by canvassing when able to do so. He says it is pretty hard soil to cultivate but having preached to the prisoners for 32 years it has come to be a part of his life and he enjoys the work.

The prisoners pay very strict attention to him and he has a good quartette choir that is paid by the county. Every week for the last 11 years Mrs. Haworth has gathered over one hundred papers from institutions and individuals to send to the jail. Their collection and the task of looking them over to see that nothing unwise is sent to the inmates of the jail is a monotonous duty but it is faithfully performed and doubtless does much good. In 1868 and 1869, Mr. Haworth was chaplain at the poor farm.

Notwithstanding the fact that worldly prosperity has not come his way, Mr. Haworth is always cheerful and happy, always ready to say a kind word to others in distress. His sympathetic nature wins the confidence of all who are thrown into intimate relations with him. He says that the ministers of the local churches have been especially kind, helping him in many ways.

While conducting services in Graniteville, Mr. Haworth's labors were somewhat severe as he was obliged to travel back and forth with a team in all sorts of weather.

Mr. Haworth has been three times married. His first wife accompanied him to this country, from England and she died in March, 1862. His present wife was formerly Mrs. Hodgman of this city. He has two sons, John H., of the firm of Haworth & Watson in Lincoln street, Chas. W., foreman in the same establishment, and Thomas, who is now in Minnesota. He has also one grandson, Lloyd Haworth, son of John H. Haworth. Two sisters are still living in England, Mrs. James Fryer of Manchester and Mrs. Henry Kelsall of Exeter, near London.

Mr. Haworth has been a devoted and faithful member of the Worthen street M. E. church since he first came to Lowell in 1850. He is also an Odd Fellow, and has been chaplain of Oberlin lodge since 1867 or 1868.

All the rage. Hovey's Guitars.

BURKES—P. A. C.

IN GREAT SHAPE FOR MONDAY'S GAME.

Both the Burkes and P. A. C.'s have put in much preparatory work during the past week and are in great shape for the game at Associate hall Monday night. It will be the third and probably last game of these teams in this city, and it will also decide the championship of the city, each team having won one game this season, so it ought to be a rattling contest.

Good skating at Long Pond.

DISASTROUS FIRE

Two Seven Story Buildings Down

THE LOSS WILL REACH HALF A MILLION

Firemen Had a Very Narrow Escape

By Associated Press to The Sun.

NEW YORK, Dec. 30.—The two seven-story buildings at Nos. 425 to 435 East 24th street, occupied principally by the wall paper factory of Wm. Campbell and company, were destroyed by fire last night, loss is fully $500,000.

The plant of the New York Hygeia Ice company, which occupied the basement of No. 425 and that of the Manhattan Electric Light company on the first and second floors of the same buildings were destroyed. A large portion of the east side gets its lights from that company and was on account of the fire, cast into complete darkness.

The Campbell company employed 400 hands, who will be thrown out of work. The two buildings destroyed occupied a frontage of 200 feet on 24th street, the entire avenue frontage to 25th street and 15 feet on the latter street.

Patrick Gannon, the night watchman in the buildings, discovered the fire on the first floor at 10.15 o'clock.

Five alarms were turned in bringing to the scene 25 engines, 13 hook and ladder trucks and two water towers. Withing 20 minutes after the fire was discovered, the entire west side of the factory was a roaring furnace.

There no large buildings close enough to catch and the firemen were able by hard work to keep the flames confined to the Campbell buildings.

Three hook-and-ladder men, Andrew Degnan, Joseph Shaughnessy and Joseph Messinger, were caught on the sixth floor and escaped with great difficulty, all were severely burned.

Two other hook-and-ladder men were caught on one of the high window ledges, with the flames roaring all around them, and the dense smoke making them almost imperceptible from the street. Extension ladders were run up and firemen brought them down in an almost unconscious condition. One of the men, Lee Potter, was very severely burned.

At midnight one section of the walls fell, almost burying a number of firemen whose escape was miraculous and injuring several men. The walls crushed in the roof of the water supply house adjoining, and the city's loss will be heavy.

The cause of the fire is unknown. The properties of all three firms are destroyed beyond the hope of saving a dollar's worth. The losses are partly covered by insurance.

The firm of Wm. Campbell and company was a heavy loser by fire eight years ago when its plant was destroyed.

Good skating at Long Pond.

ELECTRIC WIRE BROKEN.

An electric wire broke in Central street near the corner of Market, last night, shortly before midnight and it was nearly 1 o'clock before it was repaired. It was a live wire, but fortunately nobody came in contact with it.

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HOME CLUB WON

Highland Club Downed by Lawrence Men

The Home club of Lawrence paid a visit to the Highland club last evening and defeated the local team by a score of 5 to 2 in a contest, which included whist, billiards, pool and bowling.

It was the first contest of the interclub tournament held in this city, and that a great deal of interest was taken in the result was indicated in the large crowd present and the closeness with which the different games were watched. Summarized the score was as follows: Billiards, Lowell, 1; Lawrence, 1; pool, Lawrence, 2; bowling, Lowell, 1; Lawrence, 2; whist, tie; total, Lawrence, 5; Lowell, 2.

The bowling contest was perhaps the most interesting and a large crowd watched the balls spinning down the alleys. There was no phenomenally good work and it was suggested that somebody must have forgotten to tip the alley boys. The game was close and exciting, however, as will be seen from the score, 2318 to 2306. Farrell of the Highland club was high man with a score of 150. The Lowell boys scored one point and the Home club two in the contest, each string won counting for one point.

Billiards had its share of attention and a number of good plays were seen. Wm. A. Read was pitted against James F. Lanigan of the Home club, and the Lowell man had the advantage from the start. He was in excellent form and when he had finished the allotted 150 points his opponent had 109. M. W. Morris scored an easy victory over W. H. Hawes at billiards, the Lowell man counting only 71 to the Home club man's 150.

At pool, Ashton Lee of the Home club won from Richard Charlton, 75 to 67, while E. H. Whittredge completed his 75 while his opponent, William Gray, was at 66. Whist was played by four members from each club. The Lowell men were Frank A. Smith, Fred A. Wilcox, Chester E. Smith and Daniel Frye. The Home club was represented by Dr. O. T. Howe, Henry Klous, William T. Kimball and J. D. Horne. Twenty-four hands were played and the score stood 10 to 10, a tie.

The bowling score was as follows:

HOME CLUB.

				Totals
Brown	129	160	151	449
Russell	172	170	129	474
Robinson	138	119	170	427
Sherman	188	127	142	457
Pond	153	168	160	481
Totals	780	713	755	2318

HIGHLAND CLUB.

Farrell	170	161	179	510
Murphy	168	157	140	466
Anderson	114	113	201	457
Swite	144	150	170	463
Barton	145	132	141	418
Totals	763	712	831	2306

At 12.30 supper was served in the club hall by the D. L. Page company and at a late hour the special conveyed the Lawrence party home.

Among the visitors were: Ashton Lee, William Kimball, Dr. O. T. Howe, J. D. Horne, Leslie H. Sherman, H. Q. Pond, J. C. Brown, R. F. Robinson, R. A. Day, Dr. G. H. Elliott, James F. Lanigan, Edgar J. Whitredge, T. F. Lanagan, O. A. Kenedick, Dr. C. W. Partridge, Dr. N. H. Russell, J. K. Norwood, K. S. Norwood, E. Frank Page, R. W. Priestman, Wm. Lord, Fred H. Sargent, Henry Klous, John H. Greene, W. L. Huntress, W. D. Currier, Arthur E. Colby.

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PROBATE COURT.

To the heirs-at-law, next of kin, and all other persons interested in the estate of Maria Fallon, late of Lowell, in said county, deceased.

Whereas, a certain instrument purporting to be the last will and testament of said deceased has been presented to said court for probate, by Annie G. Fallon, who prays that letters of administration with the will annexed, may be issued to her, or some other suitable person, the executor named in said will having declined the trust.

You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court to be held at Cambridge in said county of Middlesex, on the second day of January, A. D., 1900, at nine o'clock in the forenoon to show cause, if any you have, why the same should not be granted.

And said petitioner is hereby directed to give public notice thereof, by publishing this citation once in each week for three successive weeks, in The Lowell Sun, a newspaper published in Lowell, the last publication to be one day, at least, before said Court, and by mailing, post-paid, or delivering a copy of this citation to all known persons interested in the estate, seven days, at least, before said Court.

Witness, Charles J. McIntire, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this twenty-second day of December, in the year one thousand eight hundred and ninety-nine.

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REP. MYERS RECORD.

The Haverhill Gazette is determined to prove one thing at least in regard to Representative Myers and his candidacy for the speakership. Myers claims to be a good republican when seeking republican votes and when seeking democratic votes, he claims to be as much of a democrat as a republican. The Gazette furnishes an abstract from his political record which proves him to be neither a democrat nor a republican. It is as follow:

"On Monday, Feb. 25, 1895 the bill for the prevention of false impersonation of voters (house 666) was read a third time, and after a debate the yeas and nays were ordered to the question of passing the bill to be engrossed, the roll being called. Mr. J.J. Meyers of Cambridge voted No!

This bill was inspired by Mr. Hutchinson as the result of the following resolution, passed by the house of representatives June 6, 1894:

Whereas, Upon due investigation, it is proven conclusively that there was "a concerted action to corrupt the election" held on November 7, 1893, in the 17th Suffolk district; that there was a "systematic attempt to register minors and to have them vote, and that there was a concerted action to secure non-residents and other parties;" that votes were cast by persons who "could not read or write" and who were not within the statutory exemptions; that there were "instances of personation of voters who were either absent from the city or who were denied the right to vote because that prerogative had been exercised for them before they claimed it;" that there was "personation of those who could not vote, because of their prior engagements in penal institutions of the commonwealth;" that "a number of those claiming residence in the stables at the rear of number 122 Harrison avenue" were not entitled to vote, and "therefore their votes were illegal;" that the "illegal votes" above classified were "not a spontaneous product," but were "the results of careful cultivation;" that the sitting members were guilty of issuing, in the course of their campaign a circular misrepresenting the petitioner, Hutchinson, as to his record upon certain public questions as a member of the previous legislature, a statement proven to be false, upon a question vitally affecting the campaign—an act which admits negligence of the election officers of precinct five in the manipulation of ballots with respect to representatives that a large number of ballots "were so mutilated—marked in the compartments designated for representatives with extra marks, tending to render void the "expression of the voter in that one respect—the grossest outrage that could be committed upon the elective franchise;" and

Whereas, It is impossible to eliminate the fraud and to determine whether any persons were lawfully elected to the House in said district; and the title of the sitting members to seats in the House is impeached by proof of gross and varied fraud committed in their interest in said election;

Resolved: That the seat now occupied by James H. Doyle, as representative from the 17th Suffolk district, is hereby declared vacant.

This resolution is quoted in full to show its nature as well as to state that Mr. J. J. Myers voted against its adoption, as he voted against the bill growing out of it. But this is not the only evidence of the unreliability of Mr. Myers' judgment, and his official opposition to the public welfare. He voted against a bill (House 175) to provide for the greater safety of railroad employes, which recommended by the committee on railroads, and when it came up again he voted against it.

On Monday, March 11, 1895, Mr. J. J. Myers voted against a bill constituting eight hours a day's work for state, county, city and town employes.

On Monday, April 8, 1895, the bill for the better protection of grade crossings (House 507) was further considered, and on the question of the rejection of the bill Mr. J. J. Myers voted Yes!

On Monday, June 3, 1895, the bill relative to the preference of veterans for employment in the public service (Senate No. 177) was further considered. On the question "shall the bill pass notwithstanding the objections of his excellency, the governor," Mr. J. J. Myers voted in the negative.

On Thursday, April 1, 1896, an engrossed bill relative to the hours of labor of women and minors was put upon its final passage. The "yeas" and "nays" were ordered on the question of enactment, and Mr. J. J. Myers voted against it.

On Monday, Feb. 5, 1897, the bill relative to the labor of women and minors (House 481) was further considered, the question being on ordering it to a third reading. Mr. J. J. Myers voted No!

On Tuesday, March 2, 1897, the bill to enable cities and towns to manufacture and distribute gas and electricity for municipal purposes (House No. 5[illegible]1) was further considered; the question being on ordering it to a third reading. Mr. J. J. Myers voted No!

Monday, March 8, 1897: 'Ordered, that a joint special committee, to consist of three members of the senate, with such as the house may join, be appointed forthwith to examine into the causes of the explosion in the subway, at the junction of Boylston and Tremont streets. The said committee shall have authority to send for persons and papers, to summon witnesses and employ a stenographer.' On the question of the adoption of the order, Mr. J. J. Myers voted No!

Monday, May 17, 1897: 'Ordered, that a special committee, to be composed of seven members of the house, be appointed to investigate the subject of trusts and monopolies, their operation in this commonwealth and their influence on its financial, commercial and industrial interests, and to ascertain the names of corporations doing business in this commonwealth contrary to the provisions of chapter 351, of the acts of the year 1891. Said committee shall report the result of their investigation, in print to the general court at the opening of its next session, embodying in such report a statement of their conclusions, together with such recommendations as is desirable legislation by congress or by the legislature of this commonwealth as they may deem proper. Said committee shall be furnished with a room in the state house, shall be supplied with stationery and papers, may employ a stenographer, and necessary clerical assistance, and may, if they deem necessary, hold sittings in different parts of the commonwealth. The necessary expenses of the committee, incurred in the discharge of its duties, shall be paid from the treasury of the commonwealth. On the question of the adoption of the order, as amended, the yeas and nays were ordered, and Mr. J. J. Myers of Cambridge voted No!

A DEMOCRATIC OPPORTUNITY.

The 72 democrats in the legislature will this year have an opportunity to build up their party and do much to aid in the election of Robert Treat Paine as governor next year. The republican party is broken into factions and now that comparative harmony has been restored in the ranks of the democracy, by united action in the legislature they can solidify the party throughout the state.

There is a growing sentiment against the present administration at Washington on account of the war, the mammoth trusts and the financial legislation. By judicious action the democrats in the legislature can appeal to the public in a manner that will strengthen their party and weaken their opponents, so that next year at the national election the democratic vote in this state will be largely increased.

"The blood of Lawton is upon the heads of some of his own countrymen. That such a leader and so many men, should fall in an insurrection kept alive by men who claim to be Americans, men who claim to be the only true patriots, is enough to drive the country to madness.

Millions of American men and women are pointing their fingers to their fellows who are responsible for Lawton's death, crying, Shame! Shame! Shame!

Their heads ought to be bowed down low.

It is an accursed record."—Nashua Telegraph.

It is cheering to find even one republican paper willing to place the responsibility for the Philippine war where it properly belongs—with the republican pary—the imperialists who entered upon the war without any authority from congress.

Congressman Moody succeeded in getting an appropriation of $10,000 for improving the Merrimack river. As the amount will effect but little of the improvement necessary, it is to be hoped that he will have an additional appropriation to improve the river as far as Lowell. It might do Congressman Knox no harm if he would stop shouting for imperialism long enough to help Congressman Moody in getting more money to improve the beautiful Merrimack.

When a large number of drunks line up before Judge Hadley in police court and the police officers take the witness stand to testify against the prisoners, it would be interesting to determine just how far the police are responsible for the drunkenness which they affect to put down. Why do they permit the liquor saloons to do business openly, as they have formerly done under license, in violation of the no-license law? If they enforced the law there would be fewer drunks and fewer in police court.

The police pension act has been adopted at city hall as an economic measure, presumably to reduce the tax rate. In order to get the tax rate down to a normal figure perhaps the municipal economists will find it expedient to grant pensions to the employes of all other city departments. This is a new wrinkle in political economy which should be brought to the attention of Quincy of Boston, Pingree of Michigan and Jones of Toledo, O., without delay.

The great Duke of Marlborough is to keep up the honor of his paternal name by going to fight the Boers. He will stop a bullet just as well as an ordinary soldier, but we opine he will take much greater care to keep out of the way of the bullets. Marlborough is taking with him a squad of men to stand between him and danger, so that he will not be without a body guard in front of him.

Mayor Littlefield of Chelsea made a square attempt to remove Chief of Police Drury, but the aldermen say nay. Now if the people believe the mayor was right they will remove every one of those aldermen at the first oportunity.

The article in another column on the evils of cigarette smoking will be found of interest as showing the evil effects of the habit and the manner in which the law prohibiting the sale of cigarettes to minors is violated.

The British march to Pretoria will be interrupted by a series of well defended fortresses to take, which will be more difficult than crossing the Tugela river under fire.

It is worthy Boer strategy to employ British ships to transport flour from the United States to Rotterdam to be reshipped to Delagoa Bay for the Transvaal.

One class of experts can prove that Molineux is guilty. Another that he is innocent. This expert testimony usually goes to the side that pays most for it.

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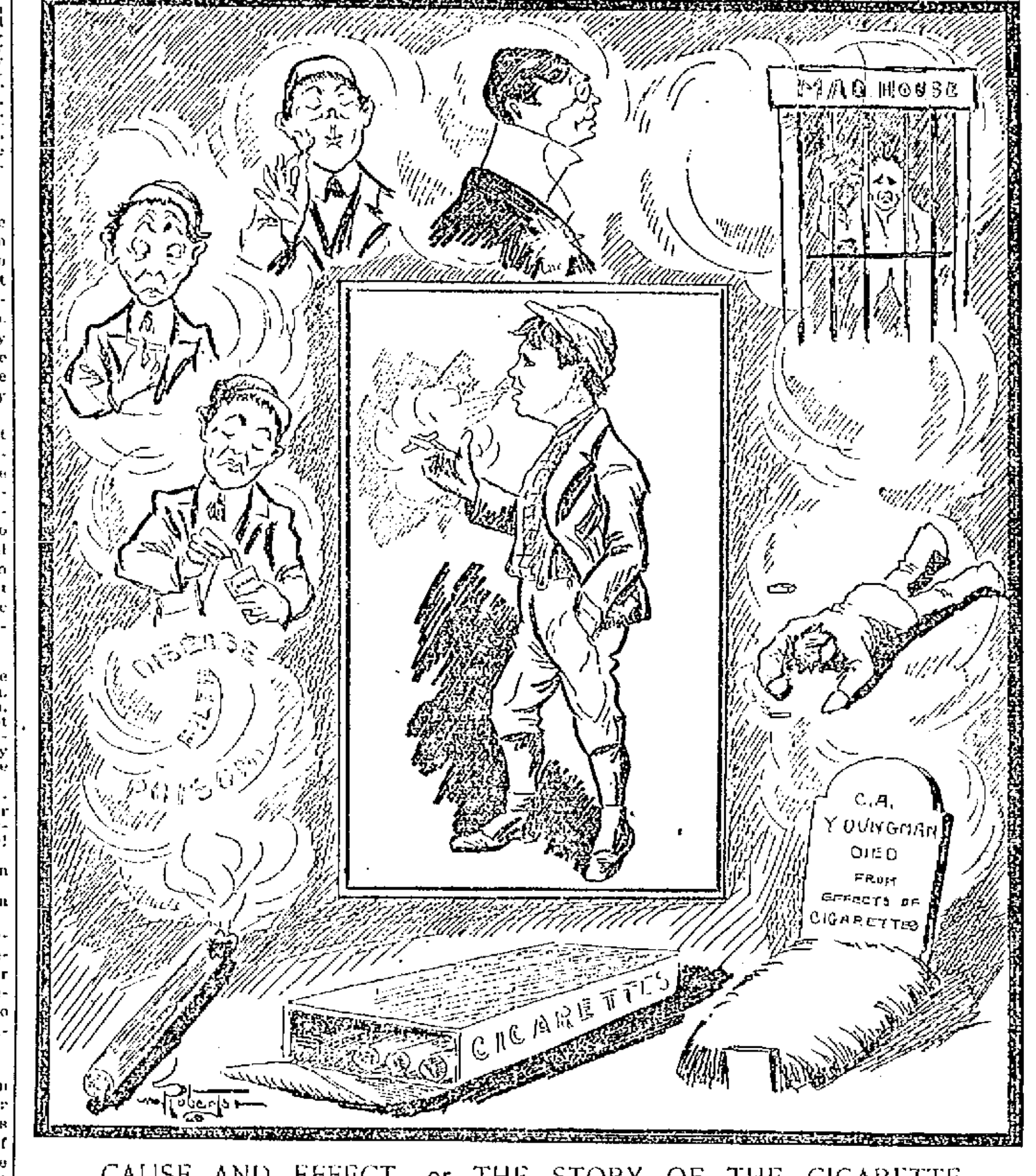

CAUSE AND EFFECT, or THE STORY OF THE CIGARETTE.

CIGARETTE HABIT

Its Evil Effects on the System

PARALYZES THE BRAINS OF THE BOYS

What Agent Richardson Says of It

As it does not appear to be generally known that there is a law against the sale or giving of cigarettes to minors under sixteen years, it may be well to remind some people that such a law exists and reads as follows:

"Chapter 12, Acts of 1891. Section 1. No person shall sell any cigarette, snuff or tobacco in any of its forms to any person under sixteen years of age.

Section 2. No person other than the minor's parents or guardian shall give any cigarette, snuff or tobacco in any of its forms to any minor under sixteen years of age.

Penalty not exceeding $50."

The dealer who sells cigarettes to a minor is not the only person who is liable to prosecution; but a person who gives a cigarette to a boy under sixteen years of age may be prosecuted just as well as the person who sells them. The law, however, has never been really enforced although in the spring of 1898 Agent Richardson of the Humane society started out to put a stop to the selling of cigarettes to minors and would have been very successful were it not for the unjust criticisms he got for trying to enforce the law. He had evidence against fifteen well known dealers and was about to summon them into court, but seeing he was not being supported by the people of the city he refused to prosecute the dealers and has not bothered any of them since. Previous to dropping those fifteen cases however, Agent Richardson had two dealers summoned into court and both were fined.

They were tried before Judge Hadley on the first day of April, 1898. The defendant in one of the cases was Eloise Parent, a woman apparently about 40 years of age and who managed a small store at 557 Middlesex street. She pleaded not guilty to the charge of illegally selling cigarettes. Agent Richardson testified in substance that the Humane society had received numerous complaints from parents and teachers of public schools that the defendant had been selling cigarettes to children under the legal age and that he had no difficulty in learning the truth of the charges. Accompanied by one E. W. Huntington, he visited the store of the defendant, taking with him a boy named Louis Braun, who was about eight years of age. He gave the boy ten cents with which to purchase a box of cigarettes and the lad had no difficulty in procuring a box for which he paid five cents. This purchase was made in the presence of Agent Richardson and Mr. Huntington. Mr. Huntington testified in corroboration of Agent Richardson and the Braun boy also testified. He testified that he gave the defendant a ten cent piece and called for a box of cigarettes, she gave him a box and told him to put the cigarettes in his pocket until he got outside.

The woman denied that she sold the boy any, declaring that she could not have done so, for she never sold to minors. Her story didn't go with the court, however, and she was ordered to pay a fine of $15.

Joseph B. B[illegible], who kept a store at 481 Middlesex street, was then arraigned on a similar charge. The evidence was the same as in the former case and he was also found guilty and fined $15. He admitted making the sale, but said he thought the cigarettes were for Agent Richardson and his friend or he would not have sold them. Agent Richardson said that the mother of the little Braun boy, who also testified in the Bosquet case, told him that her boy had been made stupid from the excessive use of cigarettes.

The agent at that time claimed he had sufficient evidence against the fifteen other dealers, but he did not think he would be justified in pushing the matter so long as the citizens of the city would not stand by him.

It is not only the duty of Agent Richardson to try and stop the sale of cigarettes to minors, but it is also the duty of every police officer and parent, who knows the extent and results of the cigarette evil. The only possible way for human bodies to grow is by good healthy blood and no boy can afford to poison his system by smoking cigarettes. Every boy who smokes cigarettes is getting slowly poisoned. If you should put a leech on an old smoker to draw a little blood, the leech would be killed by the tobacco poison.

It is Agent Richardson's intention to again open war on the dealers who sell to minors, and it is to be hoped that he will be assisted this time by the citizens instead of criticised, for it is an evil that should be wiped out and the only way to do this is to prosecute dealers who see fit to violate the law, and it might a'so be well to arrest a few persons who give cigarettes to minors, for by so doing they are a'so violating the law. If this is done, it is more than probable that it would do away with much of this cigarette smoking by boys.

Speaking on the matter yesterday, Agent Richardson said to The Sun reporter:

"I think that the only way to put an end to this cigarette evil is to have the law forbidding the sale or giving of cigarettes to minors under the age of sixteen years thoroughly enforced. If a few of the leading dealers are brought into court and fined it, will scare the other dealers and they will stop the business very quickly. It is my intention to again try and have the law enforced, and I hope I won't be criticised the way I was in 1898, when I had two dealers fined in the police court for illegal sale and was about to prosecute fifteen others. This time I will go in and fight them to a finish, for this cigarette evil must be done away with. If any person sees a dealer make a sale of cigarettes to a minor he can have him prosecuted, every citizen has the same right as I have, and this is a matter where they should make good use of such a privilege.

"The boy who smokes cigarettes is indolent, stupid, absent-minded, and the habit predisposes him to other bad habits and even leads him to crime. You will find most of the boys who are convicted of larceny are inveterate cigarette smokers. The boy who smokes is slowly digging his own grave, he is gradually getting poisoned. Students who use cigarettes are always behind those who do not in physical strength and in scholarship. I have known cases where boys have been made almost idiotic through the constant use of cigarettes.

"I think that any dealer who sells cigarettes to a minor should be prosecuted. I have received many complaints from parents regarding the sad condition of their boys on account of cigarette smoking. One woman told me that her boy is in the habit of smoking until he is overcome and he will then lie down and sleep off his stupor."

If you have not begun the habit of smoking, you have only to be brave and resolute to resist all temptations to begin. It requires no great courage to do what is easy to do, and it is real bravery to withstand the temptation of those who seem to be friends, and to refuse to follow, if bad examples are set even by good men. If any boy reading this says to himself, "I am in no danger, I only smoke a little," then let him give up that little for one week. If it is easy for him to do that of course it would be foolish for him to begin again. If it is hard to give up the habit for one week, he cannot help knowing that he is being caught in the toils of a dangerous habit, and must get out at any cost if he would be the man he should be. If you want to be good, true strong men, mentally and morally, you must let cigarettes alone, for the habit blunts the moral as well as the physical sensibilities. There is what is known as a tobacco heart which is recognized as a species of heart disease by doctors and very dangerous.

ANOTHER DEMERS.

The family of Louis Demers were somewhat apprehensive last Wednesday when the news of the death of Louis Demers in Providence was brought to them inasmuch as the head of the Lowell hous hold is at present employed in Providence. However, a visit by a member of the family Thursday dispelled all doubts and the family are much rejoiced over the pleasant news.

ARMY OFFICERS

Killed in Duels at a German Coffee House

By Associated Press to The Sun.

BERLIN, Dec. 30.—There has been a triangular duel, or rather duels, between three German army officers, as a result of a Christmas row in a coffee house in Mulhausen.

Lieutenant Schlabitz was insulted by Lieutenants Ernst and Kessling, and challenged the pair. A military court of honor arranged the preliminaries.

The conditions were that the first shot should be at fifty yards, and each shot after that two yards closer range. This was to continue until one or the other was disabled, Schlabitz to have the first shot. If successful in disabling his antagonist the other man was to take his place.

Lieutenant Schlabitz's first shot wounded Kessling in the foot. Kessling replied, hitting Schlabitz in the breast and fatally wounding him.

Another duel was fought in Allenstein, East Prussia. Lieutenant Strelow was killed by Lieutenant Rau.

MISS FAULKNER A BRIDE

EX-SENATOR'S DAUGHTER WEDS DR. WILLIAM WHITE.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

PARKERSBURG, W. Va., Dec. 30.—Dr. William White of Nashville, Tenn., and Miss Jane Vynn Faulkner, daughter of ex-Senator C. J. Faulkner, were married at Bodyville, the Faulkner home, near Martinsburg, Thursday night, the Rev. F. M. Woods of Martinsburg and the Rev. T. DeWitt Talmage of Washington officiating.

Miss Sallie Faulkner, sister of the bride, was maid of honor, and R. V. Boyd of Nashville best man. Among the bridesmaids were Miss Katherine Reed, daughter of ex-Speaker Reed; Miss Mary Paxton of New York, and Miss Maud Talmage of Washington. The costumes, decorations and gifts were the richest ever seen in West Virginia.

CURRENT COMMENT.

Brockton Enterprise: General Joubert, the successful Boer commander, is said to have served as a colonel under Stonewall Jackson during the war of the rebellion. Another tribute to the value of American business training!

Indianapolis Sun: A mayor is supposed to see that the laws are enforced. That is one of the chief reasons why a city has such an officer. It appears that in some respects the present incumbent has in some way revised the meaning of the charter and has been seeing to it that the laws are not enforced.

Manchester Union: Secretary Gage is working his typewriter even more industriously in offering explanations than when he assumed the attitude of defender of the president's anti-civil service order.

Fall River Globe: The only notable instance of strategic skill being displayed by any one on the British side thus far in this war has been by Winston Spencer Churchill, who appears to have outwitted the Boers and made his escape from his prison pen. And he was a non-combatant.

AN ADVANCE IN WAGES

Together with an advance in wool has sent the price of wool goods up. In anticipation of this advance we have laid in an unusual large stock of goods. The best investment you can make is to buy a black or colored dress at old prices while they last. Commencing Monday, January 1, we will place these goods in stock at prices you will not get them for again in many years to come. We do this to start the new year and a new century in good earnest. Besides we want the money. If you want a mohair or brilliantine do not fail to come at once and see our bargains. Also crepons, cheviots, prunellas, serges, henriettas etc., go into the sale. Linings are also included. Now is your last chance to buy a black or colored dress at old prices.

J. V. KEYES & CO.
The Black Goods House of Lowell.
J. V. Keyes. J. S. Banford.

LAND PURCHASED

Middlesex North Buys 9400 Feet of Land

ADJOINING THE PRESENT GROUNDS

Small Sales of Real Estate Booming

The Middlesex North Agricultural society yesterday purchased 93,535 feet of land adjoining the fair grounds from the Bleachey company, the sale being made through the agency of William E. Potter & Son for the sum of $2500.

The society, it is said, will soon begin extensive improvements which may include the lengthening of the race track, which is at present short a few rods of half a mile.

The land purchased yesterday is a triangular strip bordering on the upper end of the fair grounds and Fay street with a frontage of 67 feet on Gorham street and extending back to the railroad tracks, where it has 80 feet frontage.

A peculiar thing about his land is the fact that a portion of it extends into the fair grounds and it was only a week or more ago that the Middlesex North people discovered the fact. For years this land had been used as the property of the Middlesex North, within a fence erected by the society.

The strip has been in the market for some time and several speculators have been after it. Mr. Potter held it, however, not wishing to crowd the Middlesex North society. The situation was such, however, that it was absolutely necessary for the society to purchase it if it wished to continue to run the fair grounds. Once the strip was sold to parties other than the Middlesex North the fair grounds would be destroyed, for the strip cuts 15 ft. into the race track. At a recent meeting the society decided to purchase the land and yesterday the purchase was made at the comparatively reasonable figure mentioned above.

With the increased space if the society desires it can make the fair grounds among the finest in the state. With an improved track, which is the principal need, the grounds will be in great demand and soon pay for the additional money expended upon them.

Mr. Potter states that there have been no great real estate transactions since Mr. Sirk startled the city by his wholesale purchases, but he states the small sales of real estate have picked up finely. This is taken as an indication of the more prosperous financial condition of the men of moderate means, the working men whose ambition upon acquiring a little money, is to own a home.

DRACUT

It was a happy company of relatives and old time friends that gathered at the homestead of the pastor of the Hillside church, Dracut, Rev. J. P. Richardson, last Thursday.

Invitations had been issued by a neighbor and friends and the responses showed the continued interest that former classmates and friends had in Mr. Richardson. Many letters with substantial gifts came from those at a distance or who on account of other engagements were not able to be present while the relatives and other friends showed their regard by their presence and their kind remembrances. Mrs. Murray of New Haven and Miss Craighead of Malden, sisters of Mrs. Richardson, with their daughters, were among the guests.

The occasion was delightfully informal and light refreshments were served during the afternoon and evening. Music with piano and violin was tendered at intervals by Miss Anna Hall of Boston and Miss Mattie Maxim of No. Cambridge and was an added charm to the occasion. At times it would be one of Beethoven's Sonatas and a little later, the soft strains of "The Old Oaken Bucket" or "Auld Lang Syne" and between the dark and the daylight, "Money Musk" rang clear and strong through the house. A lady who was present remarked with dancing eyes, "Don't I remember that!" She had probably danced in the hall of the Gen. William Hildreth house across the common, 60 or more years ago.

The Richardson house has been in the family for three generations: it has been thoroughly renovated but no departure has been made from the original plan, though many conveniences have been added. The guests between 50 and 60 were given an opportunity to inspect the various rooms and were delighted with its quaintness and convenience. Many wishes were expressed that the family who were its present owners might have many years of happiness and usefulness before them.

DARTHMOUTH WON

WINCHESTER Y. M. C. A. DEFEATED AT BASKET BALL.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

WINCHESTER, Dec. 30.—The Dartmouth College basket ball team added one more to its string of victories by defeating the Winchester Y. M. C. A. team in the gymnasium here last evening, 10 to 9. An immense crowd saw the game, which was well contested. The visitors were somewhat heavier than the local team and played a very speedy game. Emerson and Crawford put in some good work for the Winchester team while Hines, who took the place of Alling in the second half, made some star plays. The summary:

Dartmouth	Winchester
Newman, rf	lg, Blank
Abbott, lf	rg Armstrong
Hubbard, c	c, Hall
Craig, rg	lf Crawford
Hines, lg	rf, Emerson

Score—Dartmouth 10, Winchester 9. Goals from field Hubbard 3, Abbott 2, Crawford 2, Blank, Emerson, Craig, Newman 2. Goals from fouls, Emerson 2, Abbott. Fouls, Crawford 2, Craig 2, Abbott, Hubbard, Hines, Armstrong, Emerson, Blank, Newman. Umpire and referee, Archibald and Durand alternately. Scorers, Payne and Hines. Timers, Rice and Russell. Time 20m periods.

SUIT TO RECOVER

$600,000 VALUE OF ORE ALLEGED TO HAVE BEEN TAKEN.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

BUTTE, Mont., Dec. 30.—The Boston and Montana Mining company yesterday brought suit in the district court against the Montana Ore Purchasing company to recover $600,000 value of ore alleged to have been taken from veins of the Pennsylvania claim by the defendant concern in the last four years.

TWO PLAGUE CASES

REPORTED BY SURGEON CARMICHAEL AT HONOLULU.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 30.—The following telegram has been received by the surgeon general of the United States marine hospital service from Surgeon D. A. Carmichael at Honolulu:

Honolulu, H. I., Dec. 20, via Victoria, B. C. Dec. 28.—There are two cases reported plague at Honolulu; two deaths December 12. No new cases to December 20. Quarantine against infection raised December 19th."

Surgeon General Wyman in referring to the dispatch said he did not consider the situation critical in any respect.

TOM MORIARTY

Old Lowell Fighter Put to Sleep

IN THE 10TH. ROUND BY KID PARKER

Other Boxing Bouts Last Night

By Associated Press to The Sun.

LEADVILLE, Col. Dec. 30.—Kid Parker of Denver knocked out Tom Moriarty of Lowell, Mass., last night in the 10th round of a 20-round bout. Parker won on his superior hitting powers, and the inability of Moriarty to successfully block the terrible right and left jabs. The Lowell man was game, however, and took a severe drubbing.

Early in the 10th round Parker landed a left hook on Moriarty's wind, and the latter went down and out.

HAMILTON BUTTED BROAD.

By Associated Press to the Sun.

NEW YORK, Dec. 30.—Kid Broad of Cleveland got a well-earned decision over Jack Hamilton of Troy, through the latter's foul tactics, at the Broadway A. C. last night.

Broad was always on the aggressive, and Hamilton made a more than good defence. Round after round, from the first to the fifth, Hamilton gave and took with equal favor, but in the sixth he was knocked flat on his back, and the gong saved him. From this to the end of the bout Broad spread it over his man.

In the 21st round Hamilton, seeing that the odds were against him, tried foul tactics. In the following round he deliberately butted twice, and the referee disqualified him and declared in favor of Broad.

In the opening bout, George Jansen of New York, defeated Joe Hopkins, colored, of Brooklyn, in the fifth round.

WHITE THE VICTOR.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

SIOUX CITY, Ia., Dec. 30.—The bout between Tommy White and Dick Green last night resulted in a decision for White. George Siler was referee.

The men went the full 15 rounds, and although in the second Green scored a clean knockdown, it was not a fast fight. White clearly had the better of it on points.

HURST PICKS THE RIGHT MAN.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

DETROIT, Mich., Dec. 30.—Referee Tim Hurst pleased 3500 spectators last night when he gave Curley Supples of Buffalo the decision over Emil Sanchez, the "Cuban wonder," at the end of their 10-round bout before the Cadillac A. C. Supples had the better of all the later rounds except the seventh, and had Sanchez reeling in the ninth.

Jimmy Reeder of Altoona, Pa., lost a decision to Frank Stackhouse of Detroit in 10 rounds.

"TURKEY POINT" SMITH BEATEN.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

CHICAGO, Ill., Dec. 30.—Danny McMahon of Detroit, was given the decision over "Turkey Point" Bill Smith of Philadelphia in a six-round go before the Fort Dearborn A. C. last night. "Chicago" Jack Daly and Jack Lewis, also of Chicago, light-weights, fought six hot rounds to a draw.

KNOCKED OUT IN A ROUND.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

SYRACUSE, N. Y., Dec. 30.—Arthur Jones of Washington put out "Kid" Goulette of Rochester in the first round of what was to have been a 10-round bout in this city last night, with a right swing on the jaw.

THE YEAR'S WORK

Financial Hopes Have Been Adequately Realized

SAYS BRADSTREET'S ANNUAL TRADE REVIEW

Orders in for Six Months Ahead

By Associated Press to The Sun.

NEW YORK, Dec. 30.—Bradstreet's yearly review of trade today says:

Rarely have sanguine commercial and financial hope or predictions found such adequate realization as they did during the year now drawing to its close. At least such is the conclusion which can easily be drawn from a close study of the year's trade reports of the usual measurements of business development. Linked with an immense business and a record-breaking production in nearly all lines of business and industry, except, perhaps, in some products of the agricultural interest, there was with it an advance of staple values either of which alone would have made the year notable and combined they have served to establish the year as a record-breaker and set up new standards by which succeeding years will be measured.

Failure statistics point to all the above favorable features being reflected in the smallest number reported for 17 years past.

In industrial affairs the year has been one of enormous expansion. Certainly nothing like the general advance in wages of industrial employes has been witnessed for many years and this has been accomplished with a minimum of friction entitling the year to special mention on this if on no other account.

The close of the year finds manufacturers' order books filled from three to six months ahead in nearly all lines.

Notwithstanding smaller exports of agricultural products during the calendar year, there was such an expansion in our manufactured exports that the entire export trade of the year will considerably exceed that of the last calendar year which was the heaviest recorded and make the year no less notable in the line of foreign than in domestic trade with a total of exports a little less than $1,230,000,000 an aggregate which if reached, will mark a gain of 3 per cent. over the record total of 1898. Imports have naturally shown a marked revival and if the gain for the 11 months is maintained for December a total little below $800,000,000 may be expected which would guarantee a total foreign trade well in excess of $2,000,000,000, an amount never before equalled.

REV. MR. TURNER

TO BECOME PASTOR OF ST. ANNE'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH ROXBURY.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

BOSTON, Dec. 30.—Rev. Robert M. Turner of Bristol, R. I., has accepted a call to become rector of St. Anne's Episcopal church of Roxbury, vice Rev. W. J. W. Finley, resigned by reason of ill health. Father Turner was educated in the schools of Providence and was graduated in the class of 1[illegible] of Brown University.

TERMS OF PEACE

On Which Aguinaldo May Surrender

HIS DELEGATES IN THIS COUNTRY

And Will Seek an Interview With McKinley

GEN. LAWTON A BRAVE MAN

Says the Chairman of the Delegation

By Associated Press to The Sun.

PHILADELPHIA, Penn., Dec. 29.—"If President McKinley will decide on anything like reasonable terms for the surrender of Aguinaldo and the Filipinos under him, and will inform the Filipino congress through us, its representatives, in this country, the Filipinos will lay down their arms within the next month or two and the war will end," said Jessup T. de Franandez, who claims to be one of the three special representatives of Agoncilo and the Filipino congress, as he was about to take the 3.10 train for New York at the Columbia avenue station yesterday afternoon.

Franandez, with two others, Lucio le M. Lejera nad Juliet Franciscus Lopez, were appointed at a meeting of the Filipino congress as special representatives to come to this country, and if possible have a personal interview with President McKinley.

Their mission is principally to ascertain from the president his views regarding the war in the Philippines and if possible learn from him if he is desirous of allowing Aguinaldo to surrender on certain terms that they will offer.

While in Washington the three representatives are also to make a canvass of the members of the senate and house of representatives with the object of learning every member's attitude toward the administration and the Filipino war.

The three representatives arrived in New York on Christmas eve on the Campania from Liverpool. After reaching New York Franandez came to this city on a secret mission, and expected to join his two colleagues last night in New York. What he was doing here he refused to say, but he declared that he would make it public at the proper time.

The emissaries expect to leave for Washington either tomorrow or the day following, so that they can be there for the reopening of congress after the holidays. Franandez said he has several friends in this city, and that he stopped with them while here.

Pressed as to the nature of the overtures or terms he and the other representatives were to make, Franandez positively refused to divulge them. He admitted that the terms were the last and best that would ever be made to this country, and that they were only decided on after a very long and disagreeable session of the Filipino congress.

SHOT HIS WIFE

Morrison Took Her For a Burglar

By Associated Press to The Sun.

NEW YORK, Dec. 29.—Alfred Morrison, a professor of languages, mistook his wife for a burglar early today and shot her at their home in Mount Vernon, N. Y. The bullet entered her left shoulder and is lodged near the lung. She is in a critical condition. Mrs. Morrison exonerated her husband from all blame.

DEATH SENTENCE

Imposed on William Neufield for Murder

By Associated Press to The Sun.

NEW YORK, Dec. 29.—The jury in the trial of William Neufield, for the killing of his cousin, Mrs. Nathan Kronman, returned a verdict of guilty of murder in the first degree today. He was sentenced to die during the week beginning February 12th.

The body of Mrs. Kronman was found by her husband, August 7 last, and cut and a blooly hatchet was and cut and ab loody hatchet was found. Kronman himself was at first arrested on suspicion of having committed the murder, but he was exonerated at the inquest.

MILLER COAL SYSTEM.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 29.—The naval board which conducted the trial of the Miller coal system, has submitted its report to Admiral Bradford, chief of the equipment bureau. The board conducted these experiments with the battleship Massachusetts, and the collier Marcellus, the battleship towing the collier, which supplied the former with coal in six-hundred-pound bags by means of the towing lines, which made an aerial trolley.

The tests were conducted under varying conditions of weather, and in the opinion of the board were eminently successful. The device transported about twenty tons an hour safely.

MORE INSPECTOR-GENERALS.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 29.—Inspector-General Breckinridge has prepared the text of a proposed bill for the increase of the inspector-general's department to be furnished by Secretary Root. The bill provides that the number of inspectors general shall be increased from 19 to 25 for ank as follows:

One, as brigadier-general; eight as colonels; eight as lieutenant-colonels, and eight as majors.

NEW TAX

IMPOSED ON OWNERS OF MINES.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

PRETORIA, Monday, Dec. 25.—General Schalkburger reports under date of December 23d, that trains are now running to Colenso indicating that the Boers have built a connection around Ladysmith.

General Cronje reports from the Modder River December 24 h. that the Boers captured two British forts at Kuruman, December 17th.

It is rumored that General Methuen's big naval gun has exploded.

The Transvaal government has promulgated a new gold tax law, by which individuals and companies working their own mines are taxed 30 per cent. of the output, while mines worked by the government will pay 50 per cent. Suspended mines will pay 30 per cent. on their probable output, calculated on three months workings. Reduced work will pay 30 per cent. of their net profits. The law is retroactive to October 11th.

BUBONIC PLAGUE

Chinatown District Has Been Placed in Quarantine

THE NATIONAL GUARD ON DUTY

Health Regulations to Prevent Spread of Disease

By Associated Press to The Sun.

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Dec. 29.—Mail advices to the Associated Press from Honolulu give additional details of the bubonic plague which has appeared there and indicate that the conditions are not very alarming. Five deaths have occurred, one native and four Chinese. No deaths have occurred since December 12.

A quarantine system for island vessels was established and a district practically co-extensive with Chinatown was put in quarantine. Volunteer inspectors were called for and the work of cleaning this district was at once begun. The next day the national guard was called out and has since been doing duty, guarding the quarantined district.

Chinatown, the seat of the trouble is now undergoing thorough cleaning and it is believed that the scourge has been stamped out. It is thought that the germs of the plague were brought from Kobe, Japan, on the Norwegian steamer Thyienia, which arrived at Honolulu.

HEALTH REGULATIONS.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Dec. 29.—Mail advices from Honolulu to the Associated Press regarding the bubonic plague situation, say:

President Dole, while realizing the seriousness of the situation, does not believe there is much cause for alarm. The president thinks there is no danger to those whose houses, persons and food are cleanly. He has unbounded confidence in the ability of the board of health to quickly stamp out the disease.

Some physicians claim that the disease is not the black plague. Public opinion is divided, many believing that if the plague were present in Honolulu the inhabitants of Chinatown would be carried off by the hundreds on account of the filthy condition of the district. Another interesting phase of the case is the fact that no Japanese has been attacked. They live in large numbers in the quarantined district. The counsel of state met in extraordinary session on December 12, and appropriated $250,000 for immediate use by the board of health in combating the plague. The following regulations regarding inter-island steamers was adopted by the board of health:

"No steamers will be allowed to leave the port of Honolulu for any other port in the islands except the island of Oahu, without first undergoing a quarantine of seven days. No Chinese or Japanese freight of any description will be allowed shipment."

The outside islands have been notified of the situation in Honolulu. All of the districts outside of Honolulu are in a clean condition and there is little danger that the plague will gain a foothold in the other islands.

The Sixth artillery has been quarantined against Honolulu. There are 200 men at Honolulu. They are confined strictly to camp and are not allowed to visit any other place. The National Guard has instructions to arrest any artilleryman found in town. This is at the request of Major Mills.

Col. Beck of the transport Warren has decided to heave her anchor at about noon on December 16, and steam away for Manila, leaving only island boats in quarantine. The time limit for development of the plague had not elapsed since the men of the Warren were on shore and all over the infected district, but the surgeons on board the vessel had some doubts that it was the plague. If cases develop, the Warren will not be far from port and can put back.

A HIGHWAYMAN

Killed While Trying to Hold up a Car

By Associated Press to The Sun.

SEATTLE, Wash., Dec. 29.—In an attempt to hold up a Ballard street car late last night, a highwayman was shot and killed. There were eight passengers aboard when two men wearing masks entered the car, on at the front and the other at the rear. One of the passengers, a man named Plympton, opened fire on the highwayman entering the car from the rear and three shots were returned. One broke Plympton's arm and another entered his breast.

A passenger standing on the front platform also took a hand in the shooting and fired on the robber at the front end of the car who at the first shot fled from the car and took to the woods. After the firing on the rear end ceased, the second robber also took to the woods. Bullets passed through the clothing of two other passengers. The highwaymen secured nothing.

Shortly after midnight the police found near the scene of the hold-up the body of one of the robbers. He had been killed by a bullet from a passenger's pistol. The body is still unidentified.

CLERK OF COURT

Will Not Recognize Gov. Taylor's Appointees

By Associated Press to The Sun.

FRANKFORD, Ky., Dec. 29.—Samuel Shackleford, clerk of the court of appeals, whose duty it is under the election law to administer the oath of office to members of the board of elections, announces that he will not recognize the appointees of Governor Taylor, Messrs. Mackey and Cochrane. Messrs. Poynts and Fulton will elect a third member of the board in place of Ellis, resigned.

Messrs. Emil C. Lavigeuer, Emil J. Borjes and P. L. Gregoire of the Schumann String Quartette, will assist in the oratorios of the Messiah at the People's Church, Columbus Avenue, in Boston, on New Year's night. The quartet will appear before the Middlesex Women's club New Year's afternoon.

The Salvation Army desires to thank all those who contributed to their Christmas dinner and helped to make it the grand success that it was. It wound up at 9.30 with a big salvation meeting and four souls seeking salvation.

CORNISH'S STORY

Principal Witness in Molineux Trial Called

A LETTER TO BERNARD WEFERS

Has Been Introduced Into the Trial

By Associated Press to The Sun.

NEW YORK, Dec. 29.—The proceedings in the Molineux trial were resumed today with John D. Adams on the witness stand. Bartow S. Weeks took up the cross-examination.

In the room was Felix Gallagher. He was under subpoena from the district attorney's office, and it is said that he might be called to the witness stand today.

Mr. Adams was asked if he brought with him as requested, the minutes of the house committee of the Knickerbocker Athletic club, of which he is secretary. He replied that he had, as he had with difficulty secured permission to bring them to the court, he asked that the books be placed in the custody of the court where they could be accessible to the jury. This was consented to. Mr. Adams said so far as he knew they were the original minutes of the committee.

Perusing the book of minutes, Mr. Weeks called to the attention of the witness the fact that a Mr. Race had been discharged at a certain meeting of thee lub. He asked if Mr. Adams knew that, and Mr. Osborne objected, the objection being sustained.

The attention of the witness was called to several entries made on the minute book, but Mr. Adams testified that he was not present at any of the meetings of the house committee. The witness told Mr. Weeks, in answer to questions, that he thought Molineux prepared the program for the amateur circus in the spring of 1897. He did not know if the program had been edited in any way before having been sent to the printer, but on being shown the program, said that some interlined marks in the paper were in his (Adams) writing. Mr. Weeks offered the paper to be marked for identification and Mr. Osborne asked to be allowed to see it, but Mr. Weeks refused.

Mr. Weeks handed to Mr. Adams a letter, asking, as he did so, that the witness state in whose handwriting it was. The witness examined the letter and said: "It is in my handwriting, but this letter has been stolen from my possession and it pertains to fraternity matters and has no relevancy whatever to this case, and I beg that the court exclude it from the case."

"Well," said Mr. Weeks, "is this gentleman a lawyer or a witness?"

There was a sharp wrangle between counsel over the admission of the letter to be marked for identification, but the court ruled that the letter be so marked and kept in the custody of the court clerk.

"I understand," said Mr. Weeks, "that no one will be permitted to see the letters."

"Certainly not," answered the recorder "it will be in custody of the court."

"Mr. Weeks can see anything I've got on earth," retorted Mr. Osborne, hotly.

Mr. Adams identified in turn several letters that were then marked for identification, to each one of which Mr. Osborne objected.

Mr. Weeks then showed the witness defendant exhibit 12, and exhibit "A," the poison package address, the former being a newspaper fac simile of the latter, and asked Mr. Adams when he had first seen them. He replied:

"Before the May grand jury."

Several of the state exhibits admitted specimens of the defendant's writing, were shown to Mr. Adams, who said he had seen many of them before; had placed them in an envelope and had shown them to Cornish as specimens of Molineux's handwriting. He said he got them from the files of the Knickerbocker Athletic club.

"Not from your own desk?"

"No, sir, only one or two of those scraps."

Mr. Weeks asked him how long he had studied Molineux's writing in conjunction with exhibit 12 the cut of the poison address, before he had shown them to Cornish. Adams replied that as soon as he saw the newspaper cut the resemblance between that and the defendant's writings struck him forcibly. He later said he saw the newspaper reproduction of the address before he procured any of Molineux's writing.

At this point Juror Foster asked the witness: "Are you a handwriting expert?"

"No, sir, I am not."

Mr. Weeks requested Mr. Adams to look at exhibit 12, the cut and the writings of Molineux that had struck him as bearing marks of resemblance and asked him to point out the resembling features.

"I found in Mr. Molineux's handwriting the words 'Knickerbocker Athletic Club' in exhibit 21, and 'Harry Cornish' in exhibit 22," the witness said. "Besides there were the letter of the 'F' and also the general irregularity of the defendant's handwriting."

"Now you have since learned," said Mr. Weeks, "that defendant exhibit 12 bears little or no resemblance to exhibit 'A.'"

"In my opinion," answered Mr. Adams, "it bears a very close resemblance."

Mr. Weeks then sat down and Mr. Osborne at once mentioned the question put by Mr. Weeks, as to why the witness had taken defendant's exhibit 1 2and the Molineux writings to Cornish. "And I want to know, Mr. Adams, if at that time you bare in mind the death of Barnet?" said Mr. Osborne.

The court asked why this question was asked, and Mr. Osborne said he considered that he had a right to show that Mr. Adams knew of the feud that existed between Cornish and Molineux. The court ruled out the question.

Mr. Osborne then handed Mr. Adams Exhibit A the poison package address and asked if he knew the writing. Mr. Weeks was on his feet, shouting "We object, we object."

Before the court could rule, the witness answered "Yes."

"Whose is it?"

"We object" shouted Mr. Weeks.

"Overruled," replied the court.

"It is in the handwriting of the defendant."

The court ruled that Mr. Weeks had made the witness identify writings and compare them, hence the prosecution should be given the same privilege.

"Mr. Adams," said Mr. Osborne, "have you made a study of the writing of Molineux?"

"I have."

"And do you feel certain he wrote Exhibit A (the poison package address)"

"Very certain."

"Now there is another man, Bustanoby, what did he think about the writing?"

"He thought Molineux wrote it."

"Were not Helles, Barnet, Cornish, Harpster and Molineux all in the club at the same time?"

"Yes."

"Who left first?"

"I think Helles."

"Who next?"

"Harpster."

"And then?"

"Molineux."

"Molineux left Barnet and Cornish in the club?"

"Yes."

"That's all, Mr. Adams."

Helles is the man who testified earlier in the case that he had written at the instigation of Molineux a letter to a Detroit drug firm making inquiries concerning Harpster.

Mr. Adams was excused and H. S. Cornish was recalled to the stand.

Mr. Cornish told Mr. Osborne that he had spoken of receiving the poison package to Mrs. Adams at the flat the day before he took the bottle home. He had lost the key to his desk at the club and had to break it open to get the bottle out. Cornish then resumed his narrative broken off yesterday at adjournment. He told of Dr. Hitchcock's coming and of his sending him, Cornish, for Dr. Potter. He said when the doctors came he was in the bath room retching violently. He showed Dr. Hitchcock the bottle and "the stuff." He described the actions of the doctor as he attended Mrs. Adams, but could not recall if Dr. Hitchcock tasted the "stuff in the bottle." The body lay on the lounge and Cornish said he realized how unpleasant that would be. When Dr. Hitchcock said he knew Assistant District Attorney McIntyre, witness and the doctor telephoned to the district attorney's office, but Mr. McIntyre was not in. Cornish went to Mr. McIntyre's office later and told him what had occurred. On the way down town on the train, Cornish said he had to leave the train five minutes because of the action of the poison he had taken.

He and McIntyre left the district attorney's office together and had a drink. Cornish went down town and notified his cousin, Louis H. Cornish, of the death of Mrs. Adams.

He then described his own illness, how he went to the club and sent for Dr. Phillips. Later that afternoon Detective Captain McClusky called on him and to the captain he made a statement.

The next day Cornish said he went down town to his office. Mr. Adams came in with a newspaper clipping purporting to be a fac simile of the address on the poison package. He did not know then where he got it. Cornish said that he knew Barnet, Harpster and Gallagher at the club and that he and Harpster were pretty good friends.

Mr. Osborne sat down and Mr. Weeks began his cross-examination.

Mr. Cornish said that when he came to New York he lived in a boarding house on West 14th street.

"Were you a married man then?"

"I was."

"Where was your wife?"

Mr. Osborne objected and was sustained.

"Did you know that Mr. and Mrs. Rogers were separated?" asked Mr. Weeks.

Mr. Osborne objected and was sustained.

"Do you know that you were the cause of their separation?" Mr. Weeks asked.

Mr. Osborne objected and was sustained.

The witness told Mr. Weeks that he received the package on the morning of the 24th of December, 1898. He was in the club the night before and knew that the package was not in his mail box during the night.

P. I. Finneran was in the room, and saw the package as witness placed it on his desk. Cornish could not remember the exact size of the box and could not tell just how it was tied, but knew the paper about it was not sealed. He loosed the wrapper and threw it into the waste paper basket underneath the desk.

Mr. Weeks questioned the witness as to the contents of the box. He told, and was then shown the exhibits in the case, comprising the poison package and identified them. He said he had never before seen a bottle of bromo-seltzer and had never taken that drug but once, that time being one Thanksgiving at the club. Witness repeated the story of taking the things out and showing them to people about the club. The portion of the wrapper containing the address he took with him, the bottle and the silver article remaining in his desk until the following Tuesday evening, he had never made a practice of going away from the desk and leaving it unlocked.

The witness said he did not think his desk was open on Monday, because he had lost his key Sunday night. It was found later on the door of his room in the Adams flat and, he thought, returned to him on Friday night after Mrs. Adams' death. His desk was broken open Tuesday morning by the engineer and carpenter employed by the club.

Cornish was present when the desk was opened. It was broken open again the night of the 27th, having been fastened all day. He had no hesitancy in leaving the desk only partially fastened because the door of the office was locked.

Mr. Weeks after questioning the witness about the bottle and bottle-holder, and similar questions, read a newspaper clipping, that Cornish had given to the press shortly after Mrs. Adams' death and in which he said that when he was asked to give some of the bromo seltzer to Mrs. Adams he went into Mrs. Rogers' room and got the bottle from her dresser.

In his direct examination Cornish said that he had the bottle in his room. In answer to Mr. Weeks he said he had made a mistake in his statement to the press at that time, and that he now knew the bottle was in his desk.

"What has refreshed your memory on this matter?" asked Mr. Weeks.

"Conversations I have had about it," answered Cornish.

"With whom?"

"With Mrs. Rogers."

Mr. Weeks produced two glasses such as are commonly used for table purposes, a spoon and an empty bromo seltzer bottle. One of the glasses was nearly full of water. Cornish was requested to sit at the end of a table, and holding these utensils so the jurors could see his operations, go through the performance of opening the bottle, show how he knocked out the contents of the bottle into the glass, how he poured the water from one glass into the other, being as careful as he could to get the amount of water approximately the same.

Cornish went through his pantomime performance and then Mr. Weeks asked him how much of the dose Mrs. Adams drank. He poured out water from the glass, leaving about what he thought she drank. He was then asked to illustrate if possible how much he drank from the same glass and said: "Well, I don't know exactly. I took a good big swallow."

"Can't you show us how much you took?" asked Mr. Weeks.

The witness then poured water out of the glass until he thought there remained about the amount he drank from the mixture which had caused Mrs. Adams' death.

At this point the court adjourned until next Tuesday.

COLLIER SCIPIO SOLD.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 29.—The secretary of the navy has arranged for the sale of the condemned collier Scipio to Ludwig Rubelli, of Philadelphia for $4,-650 and for the sale of the naul tug Rocket to James Tregarthen & Son, of New York at $1,123

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Of Court Midlesex Foresters of America

HAPPY GATHERING IN ASSOCIATE HALL

A Fine Concert Preceded the Dance

Several hundred couples joined in the mirth and joyous dance that marked the observance of the sixteenth anniversary of Court Middlesex, No. 23, F. of A., in Associate hall last night.

The occasion was an unqualified success and the entertainment offered the happy guests embraced an excellent concert, a grand march and dancing till early this morning. The pretty dance hall was handsomely decked. Colored streamers in red, green and pink were looped from the great chandelier in the center of the hall to the gallery rail. The gallery front was set off with a border work of festooned bunting and overhanging of lace on a pink background screened the windows. The stage was beautifully set. Potted plants, ferns and palms formed a pretty bower and the walls were hung with pink draperies. Overhead was the motto "Welcome" delicately worked in pink on a background of green. The concert began shortly after 8 o'clock with an opening selection by the Cadet orchestra. The McOsker children danced the sailors' hornpipe and the sweet solo, "Tell Me Again," was rendered by Miss Annie Bourasso.

Baby Tyrrell danced the Spanish dance in her usual proficient manner, and Miss Hattie Fox was heard in a pleasing reading. Miss Loretta Rocck had an opportunity to display the range of her beautiful voice in the solo "Where the Sweet Magnolias Bloom." There was also a cornet solo by Mr. Buckley of the orchestra, vocal solo by James Breen and a closing selection by the orchestra. The grand march was led by Floor Director Alexander E. Rountree and Mrs. Rountree, the latter being dressed in a beautiful gown of red with black trimmings. They were followed by the general manager, Patrick O'Leary and Mrs. O'Leary, who wore a very becoming gown of white; Assistant Floor Director John Magee, and Miss Mary Noonan, the latter wearing a gown of a delicate shade of green and white trimmings. About fifty couples took part in the march which was the plain military movement. The men were all in evening dress and the ladies were elegantly gowned. At midnight there was an intermission for supper which was served in the banquet hall by Caterer Miller.

The officers were:

General manager, Patrick O'Leary, C. R.; assistant general manager, James J. Keenan; Floor marshal, Alexander Rountree; assistant, John J. Magee; chief aid, Frank J. Campbell; aids, Hugh J. Leonard, Michael Maher, Henry Reynolds, Thomas Kelleher, Charles McQuade, Michael Rourke, Jeremiah Gray, James Leahy, John C. Moore, Thomas Magee, Thomas Quinn, Peter Keenan, John J. Slack, John J. Gallagher, George Richards, Charles Young, William Cullen, John H. Fahey.

The souvenir presented those who attended was a very neat New Year's greeting.

Reception committee—Patrick F. Kennedy, chairman; James Finnegan, John Gilly, John McGovern, Peter O'Neil, John Smith, Joseph J. Johnson, Peter Boland, John Burns, Hugh Gallagher, Frank Richards, Arthur Johnson, Thomas Burns, Joseph Whelen, Charles Conners, John W. Downing, William H. Harrigan, John D. Finnegan, John Quirk, Joseph Rock, John McGrath, Daniel Rock, William Leahy, Michael Connors, John McManimon; William J. Johnson, treasurer; Edward J. McGann, secretary.

Mr. Roscoe L. Chase and wife with their daughter Marion of North Adams are spending the holidays at the home of Dr. J. J. Colton in Varnum avenue.

FINE PRESENT

GIVEN BY MRS. BAKER EDDY TO HER SON.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

LEADS, S. D., Dec. 30.—Mrs. Baker Eddy, of Concord, N. H., the Christian Scientist, has given her son, George Glover, of this city, a Christmas present consisting of a check for $10,000 and a clear title to a $15,000 dwelling house, which is the most palatial in the Black Hills.

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BIG LINER ASHORE

German Vessel Aground off Kent Coast

A FEARFUL SEA WAS RAGING

Vessel Believed to be a Hamburg Liner

By Associated Press to The Sun.

LONDON, Dec. 30.—A large German mail steamer, whose name has not yet been ascertained, has gone aground during a terrific gale in East bay, about a quarter of a mile off Dungeness, the southern extremity of Kent. Heavy seas are breaking over the vessel and the life boats are unable to reach her. Fears are entertained for the safety of the passengers.

It is believed the steamer is one of the Hamburg-American line.

It is reported that the position of the liner is very serious. Tugs and lifeboats were urgently requisitioned from Dover and Folkestone, but they had the utmost difficulty in getting off, owing to the gale.

The signals of distress were observed from the Sandhead lightship.

THE VESSEL IDENTIFIED.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

LONDON, Dec. 30.—The Hamburg and South American liner Pelotas, from Santos for Rotterdam, having 629 passengers on board, struck on the sands on the east side of Dungeness, the southern extremity of Kent, soon after midnight, in the midst of a terrific gale, which raged all around the coast. The storm was the worst of the winter and seas immediately began breaking over the steamer. For a time it appeared as though no one on board could be saved. The Dungeness coast guards, seeing the Pelotas' signal of distress made desperate and for a long time unsuccessful efforts to launch the lifeboat in the heavy surf beating on the shore. Finally, the coast guardsmen succeeded in reaching the steamer. They remained alongside the steamer all night and eventually put the rocket apparatus in operation. During the whole time the wind blew with hurricane force, accompanied by heavy rain and hail.

The passengers had a terrifying experience. When day broke, the gale slightly moderated, enabling the lifeboats to transfer the passengers, who were safely landed at New Romney.

MRS. MORRISON DEAD.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

NEW YORK, Dec. 30.—Mrs. Albert Morrison, the wife of the professor of languages, who was shot by her husband early yesterday morning, died today from the effects of the wound. Morrison mistook his wife for a burglar.

Good skating at Long Pond.

BIG BEEF TRAIN.

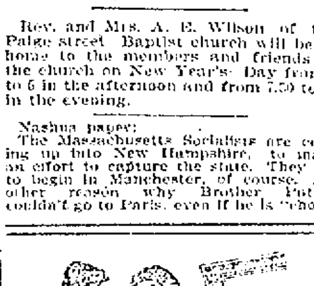
By Associated Press to The Sun.

CHICAGO, Dec. 30.—A train of twenty-eight cars loaded with corned beef will leave Hammond, Ind., Sunday night, bound for the British soldiers in South Africa. It is said that other large orders from the same source will soon be filled.

Rev. and Mrs. A. E. Wilson of the Paige street Baptist church will be at home to the members and friends of the church on New Year's Day from 3 to 6 in the afternoon and from 7.30 to 10 in the evening.

Nashua paper:

The Massachusetts Socialists are coming up into New Hampshire, to make an effort to capture the state. They are to begin in Manchester, of course. Another reason why Brother Putney couldn't go to Paris, even if he is "chose"



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TWO MEN KILLED

By a Big Explosion of Dynamite

BUCKET OF THE EXPLOSIVE IGNITED

The Effect on Bodies Was Terrible

By Associated Press to The Sun.

LOCKHAVEN, Pa., Dec. 30.—Grant Bathurst, assistant postmaster at Rote was killed and two other persons were injured today by an explosion of dynamite in the weighmaster's office of the Bellefonte Limestone capital at Salona. One of the men in the office raked the fire in the stove with a poker and while it was still hot hung the poker on a nail. It slipped and fell into a bucket filled with dynamite and fuse and a terrible explosion followed. The building was blown to pieces. Bathurst had an arm and leg torn from his body and two other men were injured.

CRISP GOSSIP

Last night I had occasion to go by two of the local theatres and I noticed to my astonishment that there were no boys hanging around the entrances of either theatre. It must be that the weather is getting too cold for them to stay out, for during the warmer nights it is all one could do to poke his way through the throng of youths that were around the theatres. These boys are getting to be a common nuisance. They will stay around to go up to a man and ask him for two or three cents so as to get in to the show. The policemen on the theatre beats should either arrest these boys or keep them from bothering people who chance to pass that way.

Yesterday afternoon I saw a crowd of youngsters skating in the inlet of the Merrimack river at the foot of the First street oval. The little harbor seemed to be frozen quite hard but the space was very small and a youth who was venturesome might think that the ice out on the river would hold him. If he did go out on the river, the chances are that he would break through the ice, for it is very thin outside of this particular sheltered nook. We have had one skating fatality this winter and we do not want another one if it is possible to avoid it.

Some of the clerks had curious experiences with Christmas shoppers last week. On Saturday evening two women entered a Central street furnishing goods house and one of them asked a clerk if he had any numbered handkerchiefs for gentlemen. The clerk who had been in the business for some time, was at sea to understand what was wanted, but in reply to his queries the woman insisted that she wanted "numbered" handkerchiefs. The clerk finally asked her if she saw any and she promptly pointed to an initial handkerchief. He pulled out the box containing them and the customer said she would take "numbers H and M." She got what she wanted.

I understand that a certain local clothing house advertises that for a very small price it will enable one of its customers to become a "howling swell," but does not explain what the customer will howl about.

Black eyes are beautiful only when given by nature. The other kind is most numerous, however.

Lowell gets a new year and a new city government in one day next Monday.

This is the week for casting up old accounts and making good resolutions to fit the new year.

The game of basket ball is becoming very popular with the ladies in Lowell and they have their favorites and root for them as well as the men. The game at Associate hall Christmas night between the Burkes and the P. A. C.'s was attended by no less than 500 ladies. Their presence will help the game along in Lowell tremendously. Wherever the ladies are, the young men are sure to be. What do you say, fellows?

Speaking of women reminds me of a conversation I had with a bachelor friend of mine at a local playhouse the other night. We were talking about women and marriage, when he made a remark which really impressed me because of its truthfulness, though the women will not admit it. He said that when a woman goes gunning for a husband, she arms herself with a curling iron and a box of smokeless powder.

Have you ever found that it is much easier to borrow money than to pay it back?

At the beginning of the civil war, Fr. Malone, who died in New York yesterday, hoisted a Union flag on his church spire, where it remained until it was taken down in order that it might be carried to the front. It was replaced by another flag which the citizens presented. All through the war he labored arduously in behalf of his country, contributing generously both in money and exertion. At the close of the war he made a tour of the south in company with the Rev. Thomas Farrell.

A young man in Belvidere, who has been a devoted admirer of an equally well known and popular young lady who is possessed of considerable ability as a vocalist, felt that he should make her more than one Christmas present. The extra gift was in the form of sheet music, and in fancy letters on the title page appeared the words "I'll leave my happy home for you." The music was unrolled and as quickly rolled up again, the second process being accompanied by a request to carry the music back and get something else. The young man's friends are jollying him along a bit just now.

All who propose to swear off smoking with the beginning of the year 1900 will please leave their cigars—if they be good ones—at his office. We will see to it that the vile things are burned up as speedily as possible.

LOST BY FIRE

Two Big Buildings Destroyed in Chicago

By Associated Press to The Sun.

CHICAGO, Dec. 30.—Two seven-story buildings at Monroe and Franklin streets were totally destroyed by fire early this morning. The flames first burned the building occupied by Edward Stanwood & Co. wholesale shoes; Wooley & Co. woolens; Schwartz & Allen, clothiers, and two other firms, entailing a loss of about $175,000. One fireman was hurt by a falling wall. The flames communicated to an adjoining building occupied by the J. H. Butler paper company. This building was also destroyed with a loss of about $25,000.

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IN TABLET FORM—PLEASANT TO TAKE.

For one dollar your health can be restored. To hesitate may prove the folly of your life. When your body is drained of its vitality it will be too late. I offer you the cup of life. Quaff it. Where my great remedy fails to cure the money is refunded. You can ask no more.

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For sale by all druggists. Thirty days' treatment for 25c.; Seventy days' treatment 50c.; Six months' treatment, $1.00. Hemp trial treatment free.

DR. W. S. BURKHART, Cincinnati, O.

AFTER 20 YEARS

Hamilton Gormlery Returns Home Wealthy.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

BRIDGEPORT, Conn., Dec. 30.—More than 20 years ago Hamilton Gormerly, then a lad of 18, disappeared from his mother's home in this city as completely as if the ground had opened and swallowed him. All efforts to locate him proved fruitless, and his mother, whose favorite boy he was, nearly lost her reason worrying over his continued absence. As time went on and nothing was heard from him his family, with the exception of his mother, became reconciled, believing him dead. She alone refused to abandon hope.

About six years ago, however, what appeared to be reliable information was received by his parents, telling of his death in a Cleveland, O., hospital. There was no doubt about his passing away, and the record of his death still exists.

An effort to bring the corpse here disclosed that the remains after being dissected were interred in an unknown grave in potters field.

About a week before Christmas Chief Clerk John C. Gormerly of the local postoffice received a letter from San Antonio, Texas. It was from his brother, Hamilton.

There was no doubt of the writer's identity, for he referred to family matters no stranger could possibly know.

Yesterday the brother, for whose departed soul so many masses have been said, arrived here and embraced his aged mother, who was so overcome that she fainted twice.

Mr. Gormerly is now a wealthy ranch owner in southern Texas. He is married and the father of five children.

He presented his mother a check for $500 and is determined she shall pass the remainder of her days with him in the Lone Star state.

The long absent son's only excuse for not communicating with his relatives is that he met a comrade from here while in the regular army, who told him his family had gone west. He told his mother that he was worth $125,000 and that he ran away from home to join the regulars.

THE SIX DAY RACE

Dubois Still Leads the Fliers

By Associated Press to The Sun.

NEW BEDFORD, Dec. 30.—Eight hours more of steady riding was done by the contestants in the six-day bicycle race at Acelphia track in this city yesterday. Early in the afternoon there was some lively riding, but the journey is a long one and the riders are somewhat weary, consequently, slow riding followed the spurts.

John Dobbs maintained his lead up to 6 o'clock, but McLean and Munroe gave him some hard work. Dubois is quite lame and feeble on his feet and he found it a difficult task to walk to the track. When he was perched on his wheel he soon limbered up. Munroe and McLean started early to gain distance on Dubois, and for a few miles the fight was against the leader. Dubois finally picked them up, without loss.

Laurex took a spill during the afternoon, and Downey gained several laps on him. The others went faster and increased their lead over the Belgian by half a mile, and also put Downey behind them a lap. The riders were increasing their scores at the rate of 15 miles an hour during the greater part of the time. There was no relative change in the positions of the riders during the evening.

The score at the end of the fifth day's riding was as follows:

Dubois 651 14, Munroe 651 7, McLean 651 4, Laurex 647 8, Downey 632 8, McDaniels 477 2.

COMPLIMENTARY PARTY

GIVEN BY BURKE TEMPERANCE INSTITUTE.

The Burke Temperance Institute gave a complimentary party to its members and friends last evening. The affair was held in the commodious hall of the society on Middle street and was attended by a large crowd and every one enjoyed a most pleasureable evening. Atwood's orchestra furnished music during the evening and dancing was enjoyed until nearly midnight.

Thomas Flynn was general manager while John Connors was his assistant; floor director, Joseph Murphy; assistant floor director, John Shea; chief aid, Joseph Harrigan; aids, Charles Gallagher, John Smith, Henry McCarty, Fred Smith, Joseph Shea, Allie Shannon, John Devine, Frank Clark; reception committee, chairman Lawrence Forby. The other members of the reception committee were Edward Farrell, Fred Welch, Frank Corrigan, George Tyrrell, Dan Keegan, William Gleason, Thomas Welch and John Keegan.

ALLAN LINE.

Portland to Liverpool.

Parisian Jan. 6. Numidian, Jan. 17. Californian, Jan. 20.

First Cabin, $50.00 and upwards. Second Cabin, $35.00; Return, $66.50. Steerage, $22.50; Prepaid, $24.00.

Steamers sail from Portland on arrival of B. and M. train leaving Boston 9 a. m. Second Cabin and Steerage passengers allowed free rail ticket Boston to Portland.

For descriptive circulars, plans of steamers and other information, apply to H. & A. Allan, 92 State street, Boston, Mass., or

Dennis Murphy, 18 Appleton St.

CONSUMPTION

To the Editor—Please inform your readers that I have a positive remedy for the above named disease. By its timely use thousands of hopeless cases have been permanently cured. I shall be glad to send two bottles of my remedy free to any of your readers who have consumption if they will send me their express and post office address.

Respectfully, T. A. Slocum, M. C., No. 183 Pearl Street, New York.

PAUL BUTLER, Elected Chairman of the Massachusetts Sportsman's Club.

BUTLER ELECTED

Pres. of the Massachusetts Sportsmen's Association

COL. PARKER AND COL. AMES HONORED

Annual Meeting Held in Boston Yesterday

By Associated Press to The Sun.

BOSTON, Dec. 30.—The annual meeting of the Massachusetts Sportsmen's association was held at Young's hotel yesterday morning. Routine business was transacted and the following named officers for the ensuing year were elected: Paul Butler, president; Charles W. Dimick, vice president and general manager; Francis B. Crowinshield, secretary and treasurer; executive committee, the above named and Col. Percy Parker, E. J. Wardwell, Captain Samuel D. Parker, Col. Butler Ames.

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Great Special Offer for This Week at

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125 doz. Men's Heavy Half Hose, regular 25c. kind, bought by us some time ago at less than half the real value. Thursday morning we will offer these goods at a special sale for only 12 1-2c., exactly half price.

Also 75 doz. Men's Heavy Shaker Socks, regular 38c. and 25c. kind, and can't be bought today at wholesale for less than $2.50 and $3.50 doz. This lot we bought also same time and same place and same low price. Therefore we will offer the entire lot at only 15c. pair, or $1.75 doz.

75 doz. Men's Heavy Lined Gloves, were 50c., for this sale 25c. Men's Woolen Gloves were 50c., for this sale 35c.

Ladies' Double Mittens 15c. Children's Double Mittens 10c. and 15c. 25 White Mittens, soiled, 10c.

150 doz. Ladies' Linen Collars, all styles, former price 15c., for this week only 5c. each.

All our Ladies' Woolen Waists, all styles, all colors, and very stylish, but must be sold in our Millinery Department. We will give some great values in nice Trimmed Hats at just one-half price. Feathers in endless variety at one-half less than any other store in Lowell.

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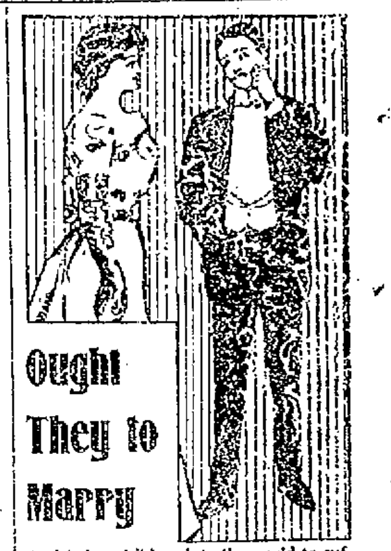

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For Boston, 6.43, 6.25, c6.43, *7.45, *8.50, c9.10, *9.10, 11.00 a. m.; 1.40, c4.00, 4.25, c5.11 p. m.

SUNDAYS, 8.45 a. m.

Trains leave Middlesex street station Lowell, as follows:

For Boston, 5.16, 6.21, c6.46, w6.53, 7.01, *7.20, *7.35, 7.31, *7.45, w*8.00, *8.07, c9.19, w9.25, *9.50, w10.50, 11.03, *11.42 a. m., w12.00, 12.06, w12.45, 1.43, w2.30, c3.03, w3.10, *3.47, w3.55, 4.26, w5.15, 5.22, c6.40, w7.10, *6.24, 7.00, *7.45, w8.25 p. m.

SUNDAYS, 7.20, 7.25, w8.15, 8.48, 9.19 a. m., w12.05, w1.05, 4.35, w6.30, 5.58, w7.25 p. m.

For Lawrence, 6.25, w6.50, z7.31, w8.30, w9.25, 10.10, w10.50 a. m.; w12.05, w2.30, w3.55, 4.15, w5.15, w6.15, w7.00, w9.25, w11.25 p. m.

SUNDAYS, w8.15 a. m.; w12.05, w5.55, w7.25 p. m.

For Salem, Mass., 7.34 a. m.; w12.05, 1.25, w5.15, 6.55 p. m.

For Haverhill, 6.25, 6.50, z7.34, 8.30, 9.25, 10.50 a. m.; 12.05, 2.30, w3.55, w5.15, 6.15 7.00, 9.25, b11.25 p. m. SUNDAYS, 8.15 a. m.; 12.05, 5.50, 7.25 p. m.

For Newburyport, Amesbury and Portsmouth, 6.25 a. m.; 12.05, 2.30, 8.55, 6.15 p. m.

For Exeter and Dover, 6.28, z7.34, 8.50, a. m.; 12.05, 2.30, 3.55, 6.15 p. m. SUNDAYS, 5.30 p. m.

For Rochester and Alton Bay, 3.30 a. m.; 12.05, 3.55 p. m.

For Somersworth, N. H., Saco, Old Orchard and Portland, 6.28, z7.34, 8.20 a. m.; 12.05, 3.55 p. m. SUNDAYS, 5.30 p. m., for Somersworth and Portland.

For Augusta, Bath, Waterville, 6.28, 8.30, a. m.; 12.05, 5.15 p. m. SUNDAYS, 5.30 p. m.

For Lewiston, 6.28, 8.50, a. m.; 12.05, 6.15, p. m.

For Skowhegan, 8.50 a. m.

For Bangor, Belfast, and Rockland, 8.30 a. m.; 5.15 p. m., ex. Saturday for Belfast and Rockland. SUNDAYS, 5.30 p. m.

For St. John's, N. B., Halifax, N. S., Montreal and Quebec, 6.15 p. m. (6.15 does not connect Saturdays.) SUNDAYS, 5.30 p. m.

For Eastport and St. John (via steamer from Portland), on (Mondays, for St. John only) and Thursdays, at 12.05 p. m.

For Castine, Deer Isle, Sedgewick, Bar Harbor, Jonesport and Machiasport (via steamer Frank Jones from Portland), Tuesdays and Fridays at 6.15 p. m.

For Woburn, 6.23, 7.04, 7.34, *7.45, 11.03 a. m.; 1.43, 4.28 p. m.; SUNDAYS, 8.45 a. m.; 4.25, 5.53 p. m.

For Ayer and Way Stations—7.10 a. m.; 12.00, 5.01 and 5.42 p. m. SUNDAYS, 2.15 p. m.

For Amherst, Milford and Wilton, 9.12 a. m.; 1.00, 3.41, 6.40 p. m. SUNDAYS, 2 p. m.

For Greenfield, Peterboro, Bennington, Hillsboro and Keene, 9.12 a. m.; 3.41 p. m. SUNDAYS, to Hillsboro, 2 p. m.

For Nashua, Manchester and Concord, 7.40, 9.12, *9.40 a. m.; *12.12, 1.00, *1.40, 3.41, *5.00, 6.21, *8.10, *8.40 p. m. SUNDAYS, 10.00 a. m. (to Nashua only), 3.08 a. m.; 2.00, 6.02, 8.10, 8.49 p. m.

For Franklin, Lebanon and White River Junction, 9.12, *9.40 a. m.; *12.12, *1.40 (to Franklin only), 5.42, *a8.10 p. m.

For Warner, Bradford, Sunapee, Newport, (N. H.,) Claremont and Claremont Junction, 7.40 a. m.; 1.40 p. m.

For St. Johnsbury and Lyndonville, via Wells River, *9.40 a. m.; *1.40, *a8.40 p. m.

For Montpelier, Essex Jct., Burlington, St. Albans, St. Johns and Montreal, via Central Vermont Line, *9.40 a. m.; *12.12, *a8.40 p. m.

For Montreal and Quebec, via Montreal and Boston Air Line, *9.40 a. m.; *a8.40 p. m.

QUEBEC EXPRESS, via Plymouth and Sherbrooke, *9.40 a. m.; *8.40 p. m. ex. Sat.

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50th ANNIVERSARY

Of Father Mathew Total Abstince Society

By Associated Press to The Sun.

CAMBRIDGE, Dec. 30.—The 50th anniversary of the Fr. Mathew Total Abstinence society of East Cambridge was observed Thursday evening in Institute hall, East Cambridge, a lecture u,on the life of Fr. Mathew being delivered by the Rt. Rev. Mgr. Thomas J. Conaty, D. D., president of the Catholic University of America, Washington.

President M. F. Quinn presided, and selections were sung by the choir of the church of the Sacred Heart. An interesting feature was the presentation of a gold medal to Patrick Sharkey, one of the founders of the F. M. T. A. society and its oldest living member, the presentation being made by Fr. Conaty.

F. Conaty spoke as follows:

I feel it a great pleasure to be with you as you celebrate the 50th anniversary of the establishment of the Fr. Mathew Total Abstinence society in this parish. Fifty years means much in a lifetime of good. In this case it represents that amount of time in good deeds, in unflinching bravery, and in self-sacrifice. What a golden tribute to the men who have held together as a band of earnest adherents to the cause of total abstinence.

I rejoice with your society that in the many cross paths of life this society has overcome all obstacles, and still holds aloft the spotless banner of total abstinence. This is a worthy commendation, for you know as well as I that it is not an easy thing to maintain a society devoted to total abstinence. During those 50 years many societies of the same kind have ceased to exist. But you have outlived them all, and that you are still faithful to the principles of Fr. Mathew is worthy of the highest praise.

What say you of the worthy men who started this society? There are men on this stage tonight more worthy to speak of it than I. They bear on their breasts the medal of Fr. Mathew, and the precious inheritance of the principles for which they stand.

I was a babe in my mother's arms when Fr. Mathew started this society and the others, but I am proud to say that I have always held to his principles. I need not speak of these principles, for you know them as well as I: some of you even better. You know how he left his home in Ireland and went to Europe to preach the new crusade. You know, also, the results of his work, and when men refer to the Irish race for deeds of nobility, I point to Fr. Mathew as the greatest hero of them all.

Greatness is not alone on the battlefield, but in the power of controlling one's self. Fr. Mathew preached the crusade of goodness, of morality which demanded a sacrifice, and he found a race ready to respond to his touch. Fr. Mathew came to this country and went through the land, and he was honored by Catholic and Protestant alike, as man has never before been honored. And it is a question whether his reception has ever been surpassed since that time.

You know of his work here in this country, and of his departure, and of the scroll of names which he took away with him, all of them pledged to total abstinence. And the seed that he planted here has borne well, and now let us place the credit where it belongs. Let us place it on the Capucian monk, Fr. Mathew.

Fr. Mathew preached the gospel of reform; that which was easy neither to preach nor to practice. He found on the pa t of his own people great influence against him, the influence of the liquor traffic. That traffic of liquor is the only one permitted by law. The laws are prohibitory to all else, but not to the rum traffic. Don't blame the Irishmen for the curse, but blame the oppressors of Ireland.

But it became a fact that the Irish fell a victim to it. I can say justly, not so much because of the character of the people as of the circumstances in which they happened to be placed. In the years of freedom there was no drunkenness: it came after years of oppression, and then the traffic intrenched itself among the people.

Then came an emancipation of the people. Today the slave of the south still dreams that Abraham Lincoln is governing the country, because the shackles of slavery have been stricken from him. He does well who frees a race politically. That is one of the greatest results of human effort. But here we have an apostle who freed a race, not from slavery under the law, but from slavery to sin. He went deeper than the body. He went into the soul. Fr. Mathew apostolate brought emancipation to a great people. Think you that it was an easy apostolate? His crusade was one of self-sacrifice. It taught the law, "If the cup offend thy brother, touch not the cup," applying to men who did not need total abstinence themselves. It was an apostolate of generosity.

Many time in the history of our efforts for total abstinence it has been necessary for us to excuse ourselves for being total abstainers. Thank God we have reached a pass where the drinking man has to give his reasons for not being a total abstainer. The pledge of Fr. Mathew was not so much a badge of reformation as a badge of preservation. Never shall come the day when the dangers of intemperance shall not surround us, and though Fr. Mathew is no longer with us, his spirit still remains. You are not the only followers of Fr Mathew. Thank God there are armies of men who are not members of this or similar societies, yet who are total abstainers because of your example.

SECOND ANNUAL

BALL OF MOHAIR PLUSH CRICKET CLUB.

The Massachusetts Mohair Plush Cricket club held its second annual concert and ball last evening at Highland hall, and the affair proved a complete success socially and financially. An enjoyable concert was given from eight till nine o'clock, and dancing was enjoyed from the latter hour till midnight with an intermission for refreshments which were served by the lady friends of the club members. The committee on arrangements was composed of the following gentlemen: J. W. Harrison, assisted by David Hambleton, J. Kennedy, J. Folly, L. Fineiding and W. Collins. The same gentlemen also officiated as the floor officials for the dance. The Middlesex orchestra played for the dancing. The supper was served by the following ladies: Mrs. J. W. Harrison, Mrs. Brooks Southam, Mrs. Rylah Firth, Mrs. David Hird and Mrs. John Dobbs.

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CITY OF TAUNTON

Afraid of Contamination of Water Supply

By Associated Press to The Sun.

TAUNTON, Dec. 30.—The annual report of the board of water commissioners of the city of Taunton, presented to the city council contains the following:

Long Pond empties into Assawampsett. Whatever affects the character of the water in Long Pond will therefore in a lesser degree affect that of Assawampsett. A power house has been built to furnish electricity as a motive to run the New Bedford and Brockton electric railway. This power house takes its water supply from Long Pond and returns its waste water to the same pond. The superintendent visited this property Dec. 7th but found no evidence that sewage as yet drains into the pond from this source. The overflow water at this distance from the water works pumping station is of little consequence.

At the head of Long Pond is a large park which will undoubtedly be in full running order next season and will attract crowds of pleasure seekers from New Bedford, Taunton, Brockton and adjoining towns. On Dec. 7, no sewage was draining into the pond, and no preparation for such drainage was in evidence. Outhouses were set at more than the regulation distance from the shore of the pond.

Nevertheless it is unfortunate that this means of drawing crowds of people to visit the shores of a pond which forms part of a water supply should become established. The passage of the electric road along the shores of Assawampsett pond will, undoubtedly, bring many visitors to the neighborhood of the pumping station at Lakeville.

The city of New Bedford owns the land along the shores of Little Quittacus and Great Quittacus and is thus able to protect the shores of its water supply from danger of pollution. Taunton has the same control over Elder's Pond, but has not this safeguard to Long Pond and Assawampsett Pond.

The cost of purchasing even the five rods margin around the borders of these two large ponds might be burdensome for a small city. In view, however, of present and prospective conditions, it is very much to be regretted that the city council of Taunton did not avail itself the past year of an opportunity to buy a considerable tract of land along the borders of Assawampsett in the immediate vicinity of the intake where any objectionable features upon the shore might have a prompt and injurious effect upon the quality of the supply.

The present environment, therefore, of the Lakeside supply suggests the necessity in the near future of guarding Elder's Pond from danger of pollution by filtering the water to be pumped into Elder's pond from Assawampsett, the possibility of which filtration was contemplated when the scheme of supply was adopted and the piping was so arranged that a filtration plant may be installed whenever it may be deemed expedient.

MUSIC HALL.

The attraction next three nights and matinee commencing January 1st at Music hall will be Harry Bryant's Australian Burlesquers. This standard organization is said to be one of the best organized companies on the road this season. The first part is a new one and is given with a vim and dash, and is followed by a rattling vaudeville olio comprising Bryant and Yale in a new and sensational sketch entitled "Just Married." The Quincey Sisters in character songs and dances, Charlie Banks in "Nothing to Arbitrate"; E n. Urline in a budget of new and popular songs. The Empire Comedy quartette comprising Messrs. Hanvey, Wilbur, Cooley and Fuller, and Paris' latest sensation, Nelson, Glinseretti and Demonio in their pantomimic farce, "Frolics in a Cafe Chantant."

The burlesque which follows while being a little on the sensational order is bound to please and introduces Harry C. Bryant the comedian who made such a decided hit at this theatre last season. There is also the commingling of comedy, pretty choruses, new and catchy music, captivating dances, bewildering evolutions and hosts of pretty girls. The scenery with electrical effects and costumes are all new and taken as a whole the attraction is bound to draw large houses no matter what the magnet is elsewhere. Seats now on sale.

SOCIAL AND FRATERNAL

Three applications and two initiations took place last evenig at the regular meeting of Columbia Council, No. 33, O. U. A. M. Brothers George E. Varney, Charles Young, George S. Gilman and Charles Torsey were elected representatives to the grand council. Officers elected for the ensuing year: Councillor, L. F. Durrell; vice councillor, W. R. Foster; recording secretary, G. S. Gilman; assistant recording secretary, P. T. Durrell; financial secretary, F. J. Baldwin; inductor, C. F. Harrington; examiner, A. W. Pilling; inside protector, Frank Dodge; outside protector, P. F. Schofield; trustees, Charles Young, George Varney, and Walter Leach.

At the regular meeting of Lowell lodge, last night, the following officers were elected for the ensuing term: Noble grand, Alvin J. Lethead; vice grand Harvey B. Harriman; secretary, C. A. Clough; treasurer, George F. Taylor; financial secretary, Asa B. Hilliard; trustee for three years, William W. Clark; marshal, James A. Osgood.

SUNDAY SOCIALS.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

BOSTON, Dec. 30.—In a circular letter sent to all the divisions of the Ancient Order of Hibernians in this state, Rev. John T. Cummins, the state chaplain of the order, has given expression to his condemnation of the practice of profaning the Lord's day by the holding of Sunday socials.

GUILTY OF PERJURY.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

PROVIDENCE, R. I., Dec. 30.—The two Italians, Germaro di Nardo and Nicola di Nardo, father and son, who were indicted by the grand jury on the charge of committing perjury in their testimony before the sixth district court were tried and found guilty this morning. Sentence was deferred.

AMATEUR BOXERS

IN NEW ENGLAND TO BE SUSPENDED FOR ONE WEEK.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

BOSTON, Dec. 30.—The registration committee of the New England association of the A. A. U. last night voted to suspend every registered boxer in New England for one week during which the amateur standing of each will be investigated.

RESULT OF WHIST TOURNAMENT.

The following was the result of the whist tournament at the Alpine club last night between the Alpines and the Knights of Columbus:

Hogan and Winn won 1, Savage and Donohoe won 1 and lost 1, O'Connell and O'Connor lost 1. In the pool tournament Knights of Columbus won 3 and Alpines lost 1.

FINAL MEETINGS

Of City Government Held Last Evening

ALL BUSINESS CLEARED UP NOW

Fred A. Buttrick, Sinking Fund Commissioner

Both branches of the city council, the water board and the overseers of the poor held meetings at city hall last evening and cleared up the year's business. The city council met to take action upon a few matters which were improperly passed at the last meeting; Mayor Crowley vetoed the incorrect measures and the city council after sustaining the vetoes passed new measures correctly drawn.

THE ALDERMEN.

Mayor Crowley called the aldermen to order at 8.20 o'clock and six members were present.

He stated that he had vetoed the resolutions for the settlement of the Joseph B. Varnum and Michael T. Dean claims because they were defectively drawn, no designation of the appropriation from which the money was to be drawn being made.

The vetoes were sustained and new resolutions, properly drawn, were introduced and passed.

There was no further business upon the desk, and Mr. Derby moved the election of a commissioner of sinking funds.

Mr. Libby announced that George M. Harrigan was not a candidate for the position, and did not wish his name to be used.

Fred A. Buttrick received four votes, and Mr. Harrigan two, Messrs. McNulty and Miskella voting for him. Mr. Buttrick was declared elected in concurrence.

A recess was then taken, but the members came to order again at 9 o'clock only to adjourn.

COMMON COUNCIL.

Councilman Mullaney presided over the common council last evening when it finally came together, some difficulty being experienced in getting a quorum.

Notice from the board of aldermen of the election in concurrence of Fred A. Buttrick as commissioner of sinking funds for three years was read.

Then the following orders from the board of aldermen came down and were adopted unanimously in concurrence:

"Authorizing the payment of $50 to Michael T. Dean as damages for personal injuries."

"Authorizing the city solicitor to compromise and settle the suit of J. B. Varnum against the city of Lowell and appropriating money therefor."

The above were orders brought in to correct those which were improperly adopted at the previous meeting.

An order to appropriate money for the purchase of land for cemetery purposes which strayed away before it reached the common council the other night was adopted.

WATER BOARD.

The water board held a meeting last night and voted to renew the insurance upon the pumping station and the house at the reservoir. The sum of $30,000 will be placed upon the former.

OVERSEERS OF THE POOR.

The overseers of the poor met at city hall last night and approved the monthly bills. Some matters of routine were also attended to. Information was received that a woman who has a settlement in Lowell is very ill in Maynard. Her husband has left town under a cloud and she is being aided by the Maynard authorities. Her house is worth $2000, and has a mortgage of $800 on it. The secretary was instructed to look into the matter and investigate the woman's circumstances.

ANNUAL MEETING

OF STOCKHOLDERS OF MERRIMACK WOOLEN MILLS.

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Merrimack woolen mills was held in the office of the mill, at Dracut, Friday afternoon. There was nothing of public interest transpired at the meeting. The old board of directors were re-elected.

ANNUAL STATEMENT.

The following is the annual statement of the Criterion Knitting Co.:

Assets, real estate and buildings, $15,707; machinery, $21,763; cash and debts rec., $2004; miscellaneous, $183; total, $36,718.

Liabilities, capital stock, $10,000; debts, $26,140; res. for depreciation and unsettled salaries, $10,203; total, $53,-843.

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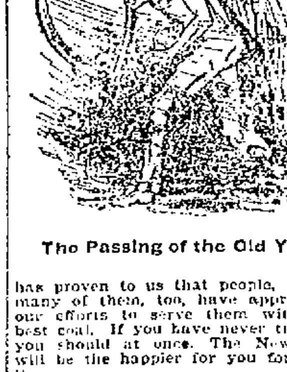

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CHRISTMAS.

It is not too early to remind you that it is most time to get your orders in for Christmas and if you are going to have anything special, order at once as the market indications are that real good stock is going to be scarce. We have ordered heavily of the best growers and our supply will be the best ever had in Lowell. Nothing adds more to a happy home than a small vase of cut flowers. Floral designs of the latest patterns. Patten & Roberts, florists, 8 Merrimack square. Telephone 68-3.

LOCAL NEWS.

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WAGES ADVANCED.

Wages in the Kitson Machine company have been materially advanced and the employes are now receiving an increase of from 10 to 12 per cent.

LOWELL ORCHESTRAL SOCIETY.

Don't forget the last recital of the year, Sunday afternoon, at Odd Fellows hall, when Adamowsky, the famous 'cellist of the Boston Symphony orchestra, and Lane, the popular tenor of the Boston Cadet operas will be the soloists. As some people think the 20th century begins on the following day, the orchestral society will give it a good send-off by playing the national airs and the large audience will join in singing our national anthem "America." It will be a patriotic occasion. The orchestra will also play "Peer Gynt," a very beautiful and descriptive picture in four parts, opening with a rustic scene, suggestive of birds and sunshine and new mown hay, followed by a death-bed scene, a dance in the Arabian desert and the wild music of the Imps. Reserved seats for this recital at Austin's Music Store for 25 cents.

AUSTRALIAN BEAUTIES.

As an extra attraction for the first three nights next week, the management of Music Hall has engaged Harry Bryant's Australian Burlesquers. This standard organization is one of the largest burlesque companies on the road this season. In addition to a long list of specialties there is a chorus of over 20 handsome girls.

The company is a good one and is in itself made up of the very best to be obtained, and is of the approved burlesque make up, fraught with many pleasing specialties, good music, pretty girls and fun galore. The costumes and scenery are all new, and a performance with all the good things of the season is assured.

DISASTROUS YEAR

NUMEROUS WRECKS DURING THE YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 1899.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

BANGOR, Me., Dec. 30.—The year ending June 30, 1899, was one of great disaster to the shipping of eastern New England the statistical story of the casualties showing a most appalling record. The greatest losses were suffered in the terrific gale of Nov. 27, 1898, but all through the year wrecks were numerous and the fleet was decimated to the extent of 166 sail, many of them the best vessels that could be constructed of wood. The loss of life in the year was 325, and the property loss nearly $2,000,000.

The greatest disaster of the year was the foundering of the steamer Portland with all on board, 123 persons, and this was also the second greatest loss of property, the steamer and her cargo being valued at $220,000. The wreck of the steamer Whitney of Boston was first in points of property loss—$235,000—and 12 of the 31 members of her crew perished.

Many wrecks have occurred since June 30, but few lives have been lost in that time and the disasters were as nothing compared with the terrible calamities which befell shipping in the previous year. Following is the summary of total wrecks for the year named of vessels hailing from ports in Maine, New Hampshire and Massachusetts:

Maine—Vessels lost, 78; tonnage 21,348; value of vessels and cargoes, $943,625; loss on vessels and cargoes, $919,250; number of persons on board, 669; number of lives lost, 204.

New Hampshire—Vessels lost, 3; tonnage, 386; value of vessels and cargoes, $7500; loss on vessels and cargoes, $6,600; number of persons on board, 14; no lives lost.

Massachusetts—Vessels lost, 85; tonnage, 22,914; value of vessels and cargoes, $918,890; loss on vessels and cargoes, $888,400; persons on board, 822; number of lives lost, 21.

Total value of vessels and cargoes was $1,869,815, and the total loss on vessels and cargoes, $1,814,360.

NORTH CHELMSFORD

Several hundred people were in attendance at the town hall last evening, when Squad 1, of Troop F, cavalry held their second dance, and the event was a grand success. Many members of the other squads being present, Hibbard's orchestra furnished music. Those who had charge of the event were general manager, Sergt. Elisha H. Shaw; floor director, Private James Eagan. The members of Squad 1 performed the duties of aids.

Mr. John H. Clark of New Boston, N. H., was visiting in North Chelmsford during the week. Mr. Clark is well known to the people of North Chelmsford, and for many years he was the station agent of the Boston and Maine railroad in this village, but during the past few years he has lived in New Boston, N. H.

The ice on Leache's pond is about three inches thick at present and on last evening many of the village boys were skating there.

EDITOR SMALLEY DEAD.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

ST. PAUL, Minn., Dec. 30.—E. V. Smalley, editor of the Northwestern magazine and secretary of the National sound money league, died here last night.

Dr. Conway DENTIST 21 MERK ST.

L. A. W. REPORT

SHOWS A LOSS OF MEMBERSHIP IN NEW HAMPSHIRE.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

MANCHESTER, N. H., Dec. 30.—R. T. Kingsbury of Keene, chief consul L. A. W., of New Hampshire, made his annual report to the state board of officers at a meeting in this city last evening. The report showed a loss in membership in this state of 118 or 20 per cent. on the last year, a better showing than has been made in many other states. Mr. Kingsbury believes that the abandonment by the league of the control of racing will be to its advantage and advocates this course.

STEAMER LINDA

BURNED TO WATER'S EDGE AND SANK.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

SHREVEPORT, la., Dec. 30.—The steamer Linda of Shreveport burned to the water's edge and sank off Vanceville on the Red River yesterday. The officers and crew had to swim for shore. Five negro rousters from Shreveport were either burned or drowned.

MRS. F. M. WORTH

WIFE OF BRIG. GEN. WORTH, PASSED AWAY YESTERDAY.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

NEW YORK, Dec. 30.—Mrs. Florence Mansfield Worth, wife of Brig. Gen. Wm. S. Worth, died at the residence of her brother-in-law, Captain Wm. H. Coffin, in command of the siege battery at the reservation at Fort Hamilton, after a short illness.

THROWN FROM TEAM

A FISH PEDDLER DIES FROM INJURIES RECEIVED.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

PROVIDENCE, R. I., Dec. 30.—Albert Field, a fish peddler, was thrown from his wagon while on his way to his home in Pawtuxet yesterday afternoon, receiving injuries which resulted in his death at the Rhode Island hospital last night. His 12-year-old son, who was with him, was also thrown out, but escaped injury. Field was 41 years old, and leaves a wife and three children.

MIDDLESEX WOMEN'S CLUB.

Monday, Jan. 1, 1900, New Year's reception to state federation officers and the presidents of federated clubs. At 3.30 p. m., brief addresses; at 4 o'clock, recital by the Schumann string quintette, Carl Behr, director; 4.30 o'clock, reception and club tea. This afternoon will be open to club members only and those holding transferred tickets, their out-of-town guests and the guests of the club. Club members desiring to hear the addresses are requested to be in their seats promptly at 3.30 o'clock, as at that time the entrances to the floor of Colonial hall will be closed. At the close of the addresses the doors will be opened for a few minutes but will be closed during the recital by the quintette. Members coming late may find seats in the gallery which will be open at the time.

The Schumann string quintette is composed of the following well known artists: Carl Behr, director, cello and zither soloist, formerly for many years a member of the Boston Symphony orchestra; Emil C. Lavbrueur, first violin and soloist; Jacques Benavente, second violin, clarinet and saxaphone soloist; P. L. Gregoire, double bass; Emil J. Borjes, viola. The program for the recital is as follows:

Quintette.

a. Andante Con Moto ....Bocherini
b. Minuet Allegretto ......Bocherini

Quartette.

a. Adagio,
b. Minuet,
c. Allegro, con brio ....Haydn, op. 74

Quintette.

a. Andante, G minor .Tschaikowsky
b. The Mill .... Raff

Tuesday, Jan. 2, 10 to 11 o'clock a. m. recital by members of the music section; composer, Mendelssohn.

Tuesday, Jan. 2, 4 p. m. Browning class under the direction of Miss Julia E. Ward. Subject "In a Balcony." Rev. Chas. T. Billings will read "By the Fireside."

Wednesday, Jan. 3, choral class.

Thursday, Jan. 4. Lecture by Mr. Hamilton W. Mable; subject, "Some Hints from Nature." Tickets will be on sale Monday to club members for their friends.

SAVOY THEATRE

One of the best places in Lowell to go for an evening's entertainment is the Savoy Theatre. That is the prevailing opinion among the majority of the people of Lowell at the present time, and judging from the attractions offered thus far at the theatre it is an opinion not far from the truth. Every bill offered up to the present time has been of the highest quality and the majority of the artists who appeared were fresh from the Keith circuit. The latter fact is evidence enough of the efforts made by the management to please. The bill offered this week deserves crowded houses. It is really the best presented thus far and is headed by Mr. and Mrs. Robyns, conceded by the most exacting critics to be the best legitimate sketch team now playing in the varieties. This afternoon and night remain for those who have not had the opportunity to hear them and the remaining artists who make up the bill. The matinee this afternoon is at the usual hour, 2.15, and the evening entertainment at 8.15.

SUCCESSFUL DANCE

HELD BY TALBOT MILLS BAND LAST NIGHT.

A successful dance was held at Talbot Memorial hall in North Billerica last evening, under the auspices of the Talbot mills band. The affair was very largely attended, many people being present from Lowell. While the guests were arriving in the early evening, the orchestra, which was composed of mebers of the band, played a number of concert selections, which were well received. Dancing began at 9 o'clock, and was enjoyed until nearly midnight.

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shortness of breath—a sensation of dryness and heat in the throat. Neglect is dangerous.

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MISS BLANCHE AMES WHO IS TO WED OAKES AMES OF THE NOTED NORTH EASTON FAMILY.

A CATHOLIC CLUB

Flourishes Among the Catholics in Philippines

IT ISSUES AN INTERESTING PAPER

The Purposes of the Organization

Mrs. Larkin of North Chelmsford, whose son John Larkin, is at present in Manila, is the first person in this vicinity to receive a copy of the Sentinel, an interesting four-page paper published weekly by the Catholic Club, an organization devoted to the interests of Uncle Sam's soldiers of the Catholic faith. The editor is W. F. Malone, who is also president of the Catholic club, and the spiritual director is Rev. F. X. Salco, S. J., San Ignacio church, Intramuros, a Spanish priest. Although the Catholic club is a new organization and heretofore unknown in this vicinity, it appears to be a pronounced success. The purposes of the club are set forth in an article in the Sentinel, entitled, "What Is the Catholic Club" as follows:

"So many letters of inquiry have reached the officers and members of the Catholic club concerning the purposes of the organization that the Sentinel takes this means of answering these questions.

The Catholic club was organized for a two-fold purpose. First, to furnish a meeting place for the Catholic soldier and his friends; a place where they might assemble for mutual advancement; second, to keep warm in their hearts the faith instilled through childhood and youth by mothers, who, in thousands of cases today, would be less anxious about their dear ones in the Philippines did they have the assurance that their boys are still loyal sons of Mother church.

On Thursday, the 3d day of August, 1899, the first public meeting was held. At that time the guest of the evening, Rev. E. H. Fitzgerald, chaplain of the 2d Infantry, defined in clear terms what a Catholic club should be. The meeting was honored by the presence of his grace, the venerable archbishop of Manila, who, seeing the purpose and determination of the promoters, tendered for the use of the society as a permanent home the convent attached to the church of Our Lady of the Guide, in the district of Ermita. The place is easy of access. From the "bridge of Spain" one can ride on the street cars to the very door for two cents. The church is only a few doors from the Luneta, on the left hand side of Calle Real, in the district of Ermita. The rooms have been neatly furnished by voluntary contributions of Catholic soldiers and civilians stationed or resident in Manila; in some instances soldiers not of our faith, seeing the advantage of such a place, have dropped in their mites, for which grateful acknowledgment is here made.

A library of nearly two hundred volumes of English literature, religious and secular, has been donated by the Jesuit Fathers of St. Ignatius church, Calle Arzobispo, Wall City. On the tables there is writing material, furnished gratis, for those who wish to correspond with friends at home. From the windows one can overlook the bay, and the refreshing breezes from the waters make it a pleasant place to spend an hour with profit to mind and body.

The religious end of the society can be put in a very succinct form:

First—By the atmosphere and surroundings the soldier may be led to realize that the more Christian life he leads the more his country can depend on his services.

Second—Any soldier will admit that in a campaign such as our men are undergoing at the present time, there is danger from the bullets of the enemy and the ravages of disease. Where is the Catholic man who in danger of death would refuse the consolations of holy church—the attendance of a priest and the administration of the sacrament? The purpose of the Catholic club is to see that a priest is brought to the bedside of the dying Catholic soldier.

Third—Should death claim any of our members the officers of the club will see that the remains will be laid to rest with all the rites of the Catholic church.

While it is to be hoped that all our boys may return home safe and sound, the fact stares us in the face that there is danger, and with this thought in view we ask the Catholic soldiers in the field to consider the proposition of membership. The dues are 25 cents a month. All that is necessary to become a member is to send your name with the subscription to any officer of the club."

The Sentinel contains a number of interesting Catholic notes of the church in the Philippines and in our own country.

The engagement of Miss Helen J. Thissell to Mr. William T. Davis is announced.

LABOR NEWS

STEAM AND GAS FITTERS' UNION TO HOLD SMOKE TALK.

On Monday night the Steam and Gas Fitters' union will hold a smoke talk in Barrister's hall, and they invite all steam and gas fitters of the city whether members of the union or not, to be present.

The Carders and Pickers' union will hold their next meeting on Friday night, instead of Tuesday, but the following week they will hold their meeting on Tuesday and will alternate for the next three months, so that all will have a chance to attend the meetings.

The Plumbers' union will hold their meeting next Tuesday night.

GREATEST GENERAL

THE SUBJECT TO BE DISCUSSED BY CARDERS AND PICKERS.

To the Editor of The Sun:

With your kind permission I submit through the medium of your paper a few facts that may be of service to the general public. The Carders and Pickers union will hold a peculiar debate Sunday evening, Dec. 31, that will be free to the public.

The subject is: "Who Was the Greatest General," and each person present will be allowed to choose whoever he wishes from the generals of all ages, down to our own much abused General Shafter who embarked and disembarked an army of 16,000 men without the loss of a single man and conquered General Toral at Santiago on a pure bluff and thus saved his soldiers from extermination by fever. Mr. John Walace General Robert E. Lee; Mr. Timothy J. Halloran will speak in support of Cyrus the great; Mr. William Rumber will present the claims of the Duke of Wellington; Mr. James F. Collins will speak for the Father of Our Country, George Washington; Mr. Eli Procuill has inflicted upon himself the task of supporting a general with a name as heavy as the armor of Goliath, the gentle Nebuchodonsor; Mr. James Mylott has concluded to present Napoleon Bonaparte; Brother William Lucas will support Teddy Roosevelt. Will no one rally the cause of the much maligned Shafter.

Prior to the debate one half hour will be devoted to mild physical exercises to give elasticity and strength to the muscle and power to the lungs and voice. Some of the best lessons taught by athletic professors and teachers of vocal culture and deportment of public speakers are practised by our class during the first half hour spent in physical exercises. The physical part begins at half past seven; the mental part at 8 p.m. and thus far there have been of sufficient interest to continue to 10 p.m. As I have previously stated the meetings and exercises are free to the entire public and we urge all who can to avail themselves of the oportunity to train and develop alike sound physique and a bright intellect. We have ample quarters to accomodate several hundred people. We are located in Odd Fellows building at 212 Merrimack street. We rent the entire floor, having a surface of four thousand, one hundred square feet. We have an infant gymnasium and a library donated by members and their friends. We receive the Congressional Record through the courtesy of Hon. Wm. S. Knox, who has agreed to supply our library with a duplicate of all maps, charts, books and documents published by the government, to which we are entitled. Our friends who do not follow mill work for their daily bread have raised the question: "Is there not some way in which they can help so worthy an organization." We answer there is, and they can contribute either funds, books, furniture, athletic apparatus or any thing of material value and we are framing a law to admit worthy people as honorary members. The cause that our union battles for benefits all wage earners from the high salaried mill treasurer down to the poor mill girl at 50 cents a day and as its success means the general good of all, then all alike should give freely to it from their moral and financial means.

All employes of our textile mills are eligible to membership in the Carders and Pickers' union, providing there does not exist a union of their own craft, when in such case they cannot become members of the Carders and Pickers unless they present the union card of their respective trade. We are positive in our conviction that many unions among our mill people and each making herculean efforts to exist on small revenues are impotent and we urge a concentration of power. Let those who are not yet enrolled in the army of organized labor present their names and dues to the Carders and Pickers' union that will be peerless in ways, means and resources to work out the eventual amelioration of the hard working, honest men and women, who are housed up away from pure air in huge buildings that are anything but places of recreation.

THOMAS F. CONNOLLY, Sec.,
Lowell, Dec. 30.

RESOLUTIONS FOR THE BOERS.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

MANCHESTER, N. H., Dec. 30.—The New Hampshire section of the Ancient Order of Hibernians has passed resolutions favoring the South African republic in its war with England.

Beware of Ointments for Catarrh that contain Mercury,

as mercury will surely destroy the sense of smell and completely derange the whole system when entering it through the mucous surfaces. Such articles should never be used except on prescriptions from reputable physicians, as the damage they will do is ten fold to the good you can possibly derive from them. Hall's Catarrh Cure, manufactured by F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, O., contains no mercury, and is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. In buying Hall's Catarrh Cure be sure you get the genuine. It is taken internally and is made in Toledo, Ohio, by F. J. Cheney & Co. Testimonials free. Sold by Druggists, price 75c. per bottle.

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Are you dizzy? Do you have to hold your hand to the side of your head when you straighten up? Then your liver isn't acting well. You have sick headache, nausea, coated tongue, and constipation.

Take a laxative dose of Ayer's Pills each night, just enough to have one good, natural movement of the bowels daily. These pills cure constipation and all other troubles caused by a sluggish liver. Price 25c. All Druggists.

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E. N. NORTH,
May 22, 1899. Sidell, Ill.

RICHARD CROKER

The Democratic Leader to be Honored in Dublin

By Associated Press to The Sun.

DUBLIN, Ire., Dec. 30.—Lord Mayor Tallon of Dublin, it has been learned from letters received here yesterday, has started a movement to have a life size bust of Richard Croker placed in the council chamber of the Irish capital. It is to be in recognition of his act and generosity in raising the Tammany hall fund for the preservation of the Parnell estate at Avondale, county of Wicklow, Ireland.

The matter will be taken up officially by the municipal council of Dublin at the first session after Jan. 1.

At the suggestion of John E. Redmond, M. P., the Irish Nationalists of all parties are subscribing to a fund to secure a portrait of Mr. Croker, which will be hung on the walls of the "Antient" concert room in Dublin. The members of the Parnell family, who at present occupy the Parnell mansion, will extend to Mr. Coker a special invitation to make it his home whenever he visits Ireland. A special guest chamber, it is said, will be fitted up and set aside for any distinguished Tammanyite who may happen along.

SUNDAY SERMONS

TO BE PREACHED IN THE DIFFERENT CHURCHES TOMORROW.

First Congregational—Morning, "Year's Balance Sheet;" evening, "Closing Up Accounts."

First Primitive Methodist—Morning, "The Permanent Perfection and Judgment;" evening, Sunday school concert.

Primitive M. E.—At 10.30 p. m., a union watch night service will be held.

First Trinitarian Congregational—Morning, "A Wonderful Year;" singing by chorus and children's choir; 12 m., a grand review lesson in the Sunday school; 6 p. m., a New Year's meeting and roll call for the Y. P. S. C. E.; 7 p. m., illustrated lecture, "In His Steps."

Salvation Army—Holiness meeting, 11 a. m., children's meeting, 1.45; song and praise meeting, 3 p. m.; gospel meeting 7.30; Capt. Lasner with the string band will assist. The Lawrence string band will be with the Salvationists Saturday night and conduct the service.

Free Church—Morning, "Making Old Things New."

Unity Meeting House—Afternoon at 4 o'clock, "Unitarianism and Plain People."

St. Paul's M. E.—Morning, "Time and Eternity;" evening, watch-night service beginning at 7. "The Great Prize Fight Between Good and Evil." Pastor Staples. At 9.30, preaching by Rev. Smith T. Ford.

Centralville M. E.—Morning, "Last Things;" evening, "Moses Before Pharoah," illustrated.

Second Church of Christ, Scientist—Morning, "God."

Paige street Baptist—Morning, "Past Better Than Present;" evening, at 7 o'clock, "What I Saw and Heard." At 9.30, sermon by Rev. A. E. Kenyon.

First Presbyterian—Morning, "The Value of Fifty-Two Sabbaths;" evening, "The Decisive Evidence of Christianity."

Highland Congregational—Morning, preaching service; evening, union memorial service for D. L. Moody in Branch street Tabernacle.

Highland M. E.—Morning, "A Last Word;" evening, a watch night service, sermon by Rev. Louis Blanchet.

Fifth street Baptist—Morning, sermon by Mr. J. Bruce Gilman of Brown University; evening, "The Message of the Year."

Union Free Baptist—Morning, preaching; evening, "God Requireth the Past."

First Unitarian—Morning, "Forgetting the Things That Are Behind."

Central M. E. (Corner of John and Paige streets)—Morning, Evangelist E. P. Telford, of London, England, will preach, and at the watch night services to begin at 8.15 p. m. and close at 12.10 Monday morning John street Congregational will unite in this service. Rev. G. H. Johnson, Thomas Judge and Rev. Mr. Meredith also will speak. S. S. concert at 6.45 p. m. No Epworth League because of watch night services.

Pawtucket—Morning, "Be Ready;" evening, "The New Year."

First Church of Christ (Scientist)—Morning, "God."

Worthen Street M. E.—Morning, "Taking Account of Stock;" 7, watch night love feast; 8.30 to 12, union watch night service.

Grace Universalist—Morning, "Day by Day."

Hillside, Dracut—Morning, "What I Have Written, I Have Written;" 7, meeting will be led by Mrs. Richardson.

Christadelphian Ecclesia — Morning, "The Truth as It Is in Jesus."

Westminster Presbyterian—Morning, "A Happy New Year;" evening, "Life and Labors of the Late D. L. Moody."

Immanuel Baptist—Mr. P. A. Hayward who is studying at Hamilton, N. Y., will preach morning and evening.

Eliot—Morning, Prof. W. H. Ryden; evening, Sunday school concert postponed from last week.

Ayer City Mission—At 3 o'clock Mr. Robert Morris of Andover, Mass., will preach.

MAINE CIVIC LEAGUE

MAKING A FIGHT AGAINST LIQUOR SELLERS.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

BATH, Me., Dec. 30.—The branch of the Maine Civic League has taken a new move in the enforcement of the prohibitory law in this city. The Rev. C. A. Perry, president of the league, has issued a circular calling the attention of hotel and restaurant keepers to Chap. 75 of the Revised Statutes of Maine, which says that all innkeepers and victuallers shall take out a license and give a bond of $300 not to break the conditons of that license, one of these conditions being that they shall not violate any laws of the state pertaining to liquor.

It is said that the league may try to have the license of all restaurant and hotel keepers who sell liquor revoked and their bonds forfeited. It is reported that the league will notify all persons having buildings where liquor is sold that if it be proven that liquor is sold upon their premises they will be prosecuted.

At the present term of court 45 indictments for liquor selling have been returned. It is said this includes about every person in the county who sells liquor.

LONG WAIT REWARDED

MRS. BROWN HAUNTED NEWBURG STATIONS FOR YEARS, HOPING FOR SON'S RETURN.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

NEWBURG, Dec. 30.—The end came happily to Mrs. Ellen Brown because the son for whom she had waited and watched for ten years was at her side. Yesterday he followed her to the grave.

Everybody in Newburg knew the sad-faced little woman who had haunted railroad stations and boat landings for a decade. Often she went across the river to Fishkill to watch the arrival of the New York Central trains.

"I am waiting for my son," she told those who questioned her. "He will come back to me some day."

Richard Brown was only seventeen when he left his home. His mother never heard from him.

A month ago Mrs. Brown became grievously ill and was taken to St. Luke's hospital. The doctors knew that she would not leave it alive. Each morning she asked if there was news from her son. They knew that it was the longing to see him that kept her alive.

A week ago Richard Brown returned to Newburg. He went to the hospital. There was no surprise in the little mother's face, but only a great joy.

From that time she failed rapidly. She died with her boy's hand in hers, with peace and happiness in her heart.

COOLNESS SAVED LIFE

ENGINEER WAS UNDER LOCOMOTIVE WHEN HIS TRAIN WAS RUN INTO.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

NEW YORK, Dec. 30—By unusual presence of mind, John Welch saved himself from instant death last night at Bellmore, L. I. He was the engineer of a passenger train that was run into by the Amagansett freight.

At the moment of the impact he was under his locomotive attending to the machinery. When he felt the shock, he instinctively grasped the crossbars of the engine and together with the ponderous machine was shot ahead over the railroad ties for more than eighty yards.

When extricated from his position, Welch, who is forty-five, and lives at Long Island City, was found to be badly bruised and injured internally. His hurts are not thought to be fatal, however.

The passenger train is made up each evening at Belmore, L. I., and runs from that point to Jamaica. The process had been followed as usual last night but the red lights had not yet been hung out from the rear car when the Amagansett fast freight came around the curve. It crashed into the standing train.

LOW TEMPERATURES

CONTINUE FROM ROCKY MOUNTAIN REGION EASTWARD.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 30.—Low temperatures continue from the Rocky Mountain region eastward. Fair and continued cold weather is indicated from the Mississippi valley eastward Saturday and Sunday. As the prevailing high pressure will continue to dominate conditions over this district for at least two days longer, west of the Mississippi valley it is likely that the conditions will be influenced by the eastward movement of the low area now on the Pacific coast and increased cloudiness with moderating temperatures. For the Atlantic coast winds will continue fresh to the north.

DELIGHTFUL GERMAN.

Miss Jessie Ames gave a delightful German at the Ames residence last evening in honor of her cousins, the Misses Dunn and young friends who are home for the Christmas holidays. There were about fifty persons in the party.

Prove all Things

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To win a wager, an English Marquis stood on London bridge and offered for an hour British sovereigns ($5) for five shillings ($1.25). He could not find a customer. There are several good reasons why the ordinary mortal could not be induced to buy, but no reason can be given why Lowell people will not accept the following convincing proof about Doan's Kidney Pills. Read this:

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NIGHT EDITION

SIX O'CLOCK.

BOER TRIUMPHS

A Shell Plays Havoc in Ladysmith

German Steamer Captured as a Prize—Consul Hay and Notables Leave London—Two Kaffir Camps Captured by the Boers—Chicago Offers 50,000 Men to the Boers

By Associated Press to The Sun.

LONDON, Dec. 30.—The Marseilles correspondent of the Daily Mail telegraphing the substance of an interview with the Russian general Gourke, eldest son of the famous Gourke, who is now about starting for Pretoria, says that the Russian officer made the following statement:

"I have been offered the command of a Boer army corps. In my own mind, I am absolutely confident of the success of the Boers. You may take my word for it that thousands of Russians are now fighting under General Joubert."

Sir Chas. Dilke, in the Daily Chronicle this morning discusses Great Britain's relation to Delagoa Bay with regard to the food question. He says:

"It would be one of the greatest follies the country could commit to disregard the possibility of a war some day against a powerful naval coalition in which event it would be to the interests of the United States to feed Great Britain. Great Britain must endure the present conditions, possibly doing something by pressure on the Portuguese officials and strengthening the British consular staff at Delagoa Bay."

The Daily Chronicle in an editorial dealing with the dependence of Great Britain upon the United States for food in time of war, expresses the opinion that many British ships would be transferred to the United States flag.

The Daily Mail asserts that several guns have been removed from the forts at Plymouth by night and that these will be sent to Cape Town.

The Times publishes the following despatch from Chieveley Camp, dated December 24:

"Parties of Boers approached today within three miles of Chieveley Camp, threatening our watering parties who are compelled to go some two miles owing to the scarcity of water. It is reported that the Ladysmith garrison made a sortie on Thursday and captured a hill.

BURGHERS CAPTURE KAFFIRS.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

PRETORIA, Dec. 26, by way of Lourenzo Marquez, Dec. 28.—Commandant Swart reports from the laager at Alowyn Kop, near Zeerust, that he had an engagement on Friday, December 22, with Kaffirs in the neighborhood of Derdorpoort. The Kaffirs occupied a strongly fortified ridge and were well heavy fighting the burghers captured the Kaffir position, losing three killed and five wounded.

LADY WILSON'S RETREAT.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

MAFEKING, Dec. 10 (by native runner to Mochudi)—Lady Sarah Wilson, who has returned here is living in a bomb-proof shelter of her own construction under the private residence of Mr. Weil. There she is enabled to exist with some degree of comfort and if she chooses to spend a part of the time in the house, her shelter is close enough to enable her to take cover between the ring of the warning bell and the arrival of the projectile. The correspondent of the Associated Press in Mafeking to whom she granted an interview was struck with the fact on entering her bomb-proof refuge, that she is unquestionably an old campaigner. Even in this noisome dark hole, dug under the ground, she manages to make herself comfortable. She has whiskey and soda, as well as cigarettes, to offer visitors.

Lady Sarah's adventures were exciting, sometimes amusing and often spiced with considerable danger. It was on a Thursday that she left Mafeking. She arrived at Setlagoli hotel that night. Before morning she was aroused by the rattle of musketry and the boom of guns. It was Captain Nesbitt of the Mashonal and mounted police, now a prisoner in the hands of the Boers, who was fighting desperately, unable to get back or to go forward, but holding the wrecked armored train until the last. As soon as daylight would allow, Lady Sarah plucktly rode to the scene of action and photographed the wreck.

Finding that her presence at Setlagoli exposed her to insults, the Boers moved her to Mosiff, where she enjoyed the hospitality of a colonial farmer. By means of heavy bribes she persuaded natives to carry information to and fro.

Extraordinary stories regarding her were circulated among the Boers. One was that she was the wife of an English general, and that she was a granddaughter of the Queen, who had come to spy upon the doings of the Boers, and a third that she was the only male survivor of Mafeking, having escaped in the guise of a woman.

Lady Sarah visited Vreyburg. She was driven there by a young Boer, who passed her off as his sister. She found loyalists, who gave her official dispatches and news. On visiting the hospital, she found that orders had been issued that no one should leave the town. The gallant Boer had to answer some curious questions put by the landrost before he could get permission for himself and his "sister" to leave. They set out at 4 o'clock in the morning in fear of being recognized and got safely away.

After the Boers discovered that she had been mixed up in dispatch running, she went to Commandant Snyman's camp with a view of getting back to Mafeking, but Snyman refused to let her go to Mafeking or even to Setagoli. He proposed sending her to Heerust as a prisoner of war or, as an alternative, to release her, if Viljoen were given up by the British.

At first she refused to ask Colonel Baden-Powell to do this; but finally she changed her mind. Lady Sarah gathered from her varied experiences among the Boers that they are heartily sick of the war.

LADYSMITH HARD PRESSED.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

LADYSMITH, Dec. 24, via Pietermaritzburg.—Gen. White has had a slight attack of fever, but he is now convalescent.

The Boer shell fire has been very damaging recently. On Friday one shell killed six men and wounded nine. The same missile killed 14 horses. Another just missed the fifth lancers lines slightly wounding six officers. Several shells have fallen close to General White's house compelling the removal of headquarters to another point.

It is reported that General Joubert is again in command of the Boers here. The military authorities appear confident, but they are very reticent.

Boers have been observed moving northward and westward in large numbers.

LADYSMITH STRUCK HARD.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

PRETORIA, Dec. 26, via Lourenzo Marques, Dec. 28.—Commandant Snyman reports as follows from Molepo:

On Monday morning the enemy from Mafeking attacked one of our forts in force, with cannon, Maxims and an armored train, and so persistently that there was fighting right on the walls of the fort. But we have relaid our fort. The British loss is reported as 65.

The other commandoes report "all quiet."

The exception of the usual bombardment of Ladysmith.

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TRUSTS CONTROL

All the Big Manufacturing Concerns in Fall River

American Thread Company Will Erect a New Mill There Giving Employment to 1000 Hands—Dividends Next Year Will Reach 8 Per Cent

By Associated Press to The Sun.

FALL RIVER, Mass., Dec. 30.—Consolidation has been the order of the day, so far as the industrial interests of this city are concerned during the past twelve months. The greatest combination of all the "selling committee" of the Fall River cotton manufacturers' association, controls practically all of the cotton cloth mills in this city. Its powers have been added to during the year until now it is the selling agent for every mill in the association.

The Kerr Thread company, employing 600 hands, had been absorbed by the American Thread company and a mammoth new mill will be built by that trust here in the spring with a capacity of 100,000 spindles and giving employment to about 1,000 hands.

The spool and bobbin mill, a paying concern here, has been absorbed by the spool and bobbin combine.

The Union Belt company which has been paying extremely large dividends has come under control of the belt trust and the Globe Yarn and Sanford Spinning mills have been bought up by the New England Yarn company.

The Fall River Bleachery with a surplus fund as large as its original capital stock is now a member of a bleaching trust and the management of the Parker and the three Hargraves mills has been consolidated.

The business for the year has been bought by the American Woolen trust and dismantled thus removing the last vestige of that industry from this city.

The business for the year has been enormous and the dividends given to stockholders have averaged six per cent. The new dividend year promises even better than the old, the outlook being for an annual dividend of eight per cent.

BOSTON'S MAYOR

Josiah Quincy Sends a Valedictory Message

CITY ASSUMED NEW FUNCTIONS

Municipal Work Has Been Sub-Divided

By Associated Press to The Sun.

BOSTON, Dec. 30.—The final session of the board of aldermen of 1899 was held today and the occasion became notable from the fact that Mayor Quincy gave to the board a valedictory message of remarkable length.

The communication from the mayor gave a review of some of the improvements in municipal government which have been introduced during Mayor Quincy's term of four years and which the executive says have placed Boston far ahead of the other cities in the United States in administrative organization. The message also said that in the future the logical course will be to further restrict the powers of city government, rather than to restore to it any of the functions which have been removed by the allotment of various work to departments created for the purpose.

The message said in part:

"The administrative government of the city of Boston is now carried on through thirty-six executive departments, the heads of which are appointed by the mayor and nine of which have been created during the past four years.

"It must be clear to every observer that changes in our system of municipal administration have proceeded of late years upon two lines: First, the further sub-division and specialization of existing municipal work and second the assumption by the city of new function and the establishment of new branches of municipal service. I believe that the city of Boston now illustrates these two tendencies of the municipal development more than any city in this country and that so far as administrative organization goes, it is now nearly abreast of the demands of modern conditions. I believe that the future problem of municipal government in Boston is not that of organization, but that of retaining and securing the best possible service at the head of existing branches of work and of providing officials with such appropriations as are reasonably necessary for the securing of satisfactory results."

BANK SUSPENDS

PRIVATE FIRM IN BERLIN FAILS FOR 2,000,000 MARKS.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

BERLIN, Dec. 30.—A private banking firm of Goerlitz, Prussian Silesia, has suspended. The liabilities are nearly two million marks. Some small banks in Berlin and London are said to be affected to a considerable extent. A local paper reports the arrest of two of the firm's principals.

LIABILITIES OF $221,000.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

HARTFORD, Conn., Dec. 30.—A petition in bankruptcy was filed in the United States district court today by counsel for Even McIntyre & Co., proprietors of one of the largest department stores in New Haven. The liabilities are given as $221,807; assets, $205,451.

SKULL CRUSHED

Charles Spence Fatally Injured by a Derrick

By Associated Press to The Sun.

DOVER, N. H., Dec. 30.—Charles A. Spence, of Berwick, Me., was fatally injured by a derrick in the Pine Hill cemetery here today. Spence with several other men were engaged in setting up a large monument when a boom of a derrick swung suddenly, and struck Spence on the back of the head, crushing the skull. He died a few minutes later. Spence was 24 years of age and is survived by a widow.

FORMIDABLE CRAFT

NAVAL BOARD OF CONSTRUCTION SETTLES DETAILS OF BATTLESHIPS.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 1.—Final details of the new battleships of the New Jersey class have been agreed upon by the naval board of construction. The board adopted the battery and armor plans proposed by Rear Admiral O'Neil and the new vessels will be the most formidable of their type in the world. They will be sheathed and coppered and will be fitted for flagships. The superimposed turrets adopted by the battleships Kearsarge and Kentucky have been retained.

The ships will have these characteristics: Displacement, 13,500 tons; speed, not less than 19 knots; battery, four 12-inch guns, four 8-inch guns, 12 6-inch guns, 12 14-pounders, 12 3-pounders and the usual secondary battery weapons; coal capacity, 2000 tons; armor, a Krupp belt, 9 inches thick, extending over the entire length of the ship; a heavy protective deck and upper and lower casement armor six inches thick. The total weight of armor, including bolts and nuts will be 2727 tons. For further protection the vessels will be provided with cellulose belts.

These vessels will differ from those built or under construction in that they will have high freeboard extending over the entire length, the stern being as high as the bow. This will give the crew additional space and permit additional men if necessary to be added to the ship's complements.

Rear Admiral Hichborn has been directed to prepare the detail plans for the battleships. The department is ready to proceed with the work of advertising for bids but this has been delayed by the failure of congress to increase the limit of cost under which the Krupp armor can be purchased for the ships.

AN UP-TO-DATE CONCERN.

Paul O. Kable, with Louis Alexander, the Central street tailor, goes to New York, Philadelphia and Baltimore for a week, on the lookout for the latest ideas in Sartorial Art. Being up-to-date concern keeps in touch with the latest styles by frequent visits to the best tailors in the country, consequently their business is steadily increasing and new customers sent in by old ones is the strongest testimonial that their work is satisfactory and up-to-date in every way. They are both practical men and have had long experience in fine Tailoring establishments, and turn out work in every way equal to the best New York and Boston tailors.

COAL MINERS' STRIKE.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

ALTOONA, Pa., Dec. 30.—Bituminous coal miners in this section met in convention at Portage last night and ordered a strike January 1st.

Eyesight by absorption. Dr. Taylor.

LIVELY RUNAWAY

Horse Belonging to the N. E. T. & T. Co.

COLLIDES WITH DR. BASS' BUGGY

Boy Run Down by a Mad Driver

Tower's corner was the scene of a lively time this noon about one o'clock.

A horse attached to a wagon full of wires and poles belonging to the New England Telephone and Telegraph company was standing with a feed bag over his head on Green street eating his dinner, when in some unaccountable manner he got frightened and tarted up Green street on the gallop. When he reached Tower's corner, he made a dash for the sidewalk and ran along it until he reached Billingwood's drug store. Before reaching the drugstore he started for the road again and in trying to get off the sidewalk he collided with Dr. Bass' buggy, which was standing at the corner of Middlesex and Central streets.

When the wagons collided the horses also got tangled up. Several bystanders ran to the assistance of the horses and soon had them untangled. The shaft of the telephone wagon and some of the spokes in the wheels of Dr. Bass' buggy were broken.

While the excitement of the runaway was at its height it attracted a large crowd of people, the whole of the roadway being packed with people. While the crowd was standing in the street, a wagon was driven up at a rapid gait and the driver did not seem to care whether the crowd was there or not for he did not try to stop his horse but drove right through the crowd. Many of the people had narrow escapes from being run down by the horse and wagon and all escaped but one young lad who refused to give his name. He was knocked down by the horse and the wagon passed over his legs.

Some of the men in the crowd made a grab for the horse's head but the driver whipped up the horse and started up Middlesex street. Some of the men gave chase and finally caught him and turned him over to a policeman. The young lad was not badly hurt, for shortly afterwards he walked away.

CASHIER COLE COMING HOME.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

BOSTON, Dec. 30.—United States District Attorney Boyd B. Jones received a telegram today to the effect that Marshal Osborne of Los Angeles has started east having in custody Charles H. Cole, ex-president of the Globe National bank. Mr. Jones expects them to arrive on Jan. 6. The case will go over until the March term of the United State grand jury.

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WAS HYPNOTIZED

Mable Grant's Honeymoon Lasted a Week

THEN SHE BECAME HYSTERICAL

Went Away With Hospital Attendant

By Associated Press to The Sun.

BOSTON, Dec. 30.—About 10 weeks ago a little woman from Philadelphia, whose name was Mabel Grant, paid a visit to Boston friends. She was exceedingly bewitching, with the face of a Madonna, and her manners reflected the refined society she had evidently been brought up in. She was about the average height, with well-rounded figure, and would attract the attention of almost anyone by the extreme sweetness of her face.

Later she proved to be a good deal of a mystery to those with whom she was thrown in contact.

The young woman had been in Boston but a few days when she became acquainted with a man named Burns, and after one week of courtship she was married to him. There was no bridal tour, but in its stead the pair drove to 159 Harrison avenue, where the honeymoon was commenced, and where it ended in less than a week afterwards.

It was about 8 o'clock on the night of Nov. 29 when there was a sharp ring at the telephone at the emergency hospital and the ambulance was summoned in hot haste to the drug store at the corner of Harrison avenue and Harvard street.

When the surgeon arrived he found a young woman in a highly excited state suffering from hysteria. She had become so violent between the time she arrived and the arrival of the ambulance that it had been found necessary to bind her hands behind her back, to prevent her doing herself injury.

She was quickly transferred to the hospital, where she rapidly became worse, and in addition to the woman attendant a male nurse was detailed to render any assistance that might be necessary during her periods of delirium. The male nurse, who all through that night was humbly retain call, was W. E. Goodrich, 2, a former army nurse, who had served during the Spanish war, part of the time at Chattanooga, the balance on the hospital ship Relief.

That one night's work was fatal to the peace of mind of young Goodrich, and from that time on he seemed to be in a continual daze.

The following day the husband of the sick woman called, but the moment she caught sight of him she became violently hysterical again, and he was removed from the ward, after which she became more composed. Later she told the hospital officials the story of her marriage.

The man whom she called husband, she said, she met at a socable in a Tremont street hall a week previous to their marriage. He seemed attracted to her from the first, but she did not reciprocate his advances. He was persistent, however, and she said she seemed to be drawn toward him by some force which she was unable to throw off. She had no power to refuse his advances and the result was she married him just a week after their first meeting. She believed he hypnotized her, as she could account for her willingness to assume the matrimonial state in no other way.

She had been married but a few days, she stated, when she was disillusionized and fled in the night, without but a cent, to the drug store mentioned. She remembered nothing from the time she rushed into the store until she [illegible] at the emergency hospital, a [illegible] hours later.

The young woman is thought [illegible] come of a well-to-do Philadelphia [illegible] and her story is borne out by the [illegible] that after she was discharged from hospital she received $500 from her [illegible] rather in that city.

Last Sunday night Goodrich and the young woman took the 6 o'clock train via the Fall River line, for New York, since which time nothing has been heard from them.

Mabel Burns is about 20, and was one of the prettiest and most interesting patients the emergency hospital has had.

A FAILURE

THE STEAMSHIP WAS NOT LAUNCHED.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

WILMINGTON, Del., Dec. 30.—The attempt to launch the Winsor line steamship Gredin at the Harlan and Hollingsworth ship-yards today was a failure the new ship sticking on the ways. When the blocks were sawed away and the vessel started for her plunge into the icy water, Miss Winsor, daughter of the president of the company, who acted as sponsor for the new liner, broke the traditional bottle of wine and spoke the words that named the ship. To the great disappointment of everybody, however, the huge hulk moved only about eighteen inches and then stuck. An investigation showed that the tallow in the ways had frozen and caked and when the vessel started to move, the grease dropped from the ways and she rested on the timbers without the tallow. Jacks were used in the attempt to start the ship again but every effort failed and after an hour's hard work it was decided to abandon the task.

SHOT AND ROBBED.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

SIOUX CITY, Ia., Dec. 30.—John G. Robson, a contractor, was shot and robbed in his office last night. His assailants escaped and left no traces behind. Robson's condition is critical.

STEAMER LAURENTAIN.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

HALIFAX, Dec. 30.—The steamer Laurentain, which arrived last night, will be the first of the three transports, carrying the second contingent to South Africa to sail. She is expected to leave Halifax, January 16th and will take 314 men of the contingent, with some members of the staff and 315 horses. Fitting up of the Laurentain begun today.

KATE SHEEHAN DEAD.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

BOSTON, Dec. 30.—The mystery concerning the whereabouts of Kate Sheehan, who disappeared from her home at 873 Harrison avenue last Wednesday, was solved yesterday afternoon, when the body of the young woman was found in the cellar of the house at 106 East Newton street. It is supposed that she committed suicide as a broken bottle, which had contained carbolic acid, was found on the floor beside her.

PRISONER PARDONED

GOV. ROOSEVELT GIVES JOHN HANNIGAN HIS PARDON.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

NEW YORK, Dec. 30.—Gov. Theodore Roosevelt has pardoned John Hannigan, who is now serving a sentence in the state prison for shooting one of a crowd of boys whom he was chasing on Thanksgiving Day. The boy suffered only a flesh wound but Hannigan was tried, convicted and sentenced to two years in prison.

Putnam & Son

TOUCHY WEATHER THIS!

The old-fashioned kind that makes one think of Ulsters and heavy things.

Start here with respectable All Wool Ulsters, long and comfortable, for $4.95

Frieze Ulsters, All Wool, for $5.95 and up to $19.85, with half-a-dozen prices between. Black, Oxford and Olive mixtures—the best ones from Rogers, Peet & Co.

FOR BOYS,

A few Ulsters at practically the half former prices. Those that were $8.00 for $4.95

and all the others in proportion.

FLEECED LINED SHIRTS & DRAWERS

for men. Steel mixtures, heavily fleeced, such as you pay half a dollar for in other stores, here 29 Cents

BOYS' HEAVY FLEECED UNDERWEAR.

Yeager color, French Necks, pearl buttons, all sizes yet; 38c. goods for 22 Cents

WINTER CAPS,

double band Knox. Made from heavy boucle, Men's and boys,' were 23c., for 12½ Cents

10 DOZENS MEN'S HEAVY LEATHER GLOVES,

lined, and with long knitted wool wrists. Same color as Plymouth buck—only they're not buckskin. Regularly 50c., to close for 29 Cents

PUTNAM & SON,

166 Central Street.

[T]HE SUN LATEST!

5 O'CLOCK

[illegible]H WOMAN SUED

[By] the Wife of Her Private Secretary

[FO]R ALIENATING HER [H]USBAND'S AFFECTION

[H]istory of a Sensational Case and Its Principals

By Associated Press to The Sun.

[F]ISHKILL, N. Y., Dec. 30.—Mrs. [Ca]mpbell, whose fortune is estimated [at $]2,000,000, is once more the principal [figu]re in a sensational suit. [T]his time she has been sued by the [wif]e of her private secretary, Dr. Fred [P]runier, for alienation of the latter's [aff]ections. Papers were served on her [tod]ay by Lawyer Cushman of Burlington, Vt., who represents Mrs. Prunier. [M]rs. Campbell has one of the handsomest villas here. She is a comely [wo]man, and lives in luxurious style. [Dr.] Prunier has been an inmate of her [ho]me in the capacity of private secretary for two years. His wife has been [jeal]ous of Mrs. Campbell for several [m]onths. Two months ago she had [hi]m arrested here on a charge of [ab]ducting one of their two young children. [M]rs. Prunier and the children live at [Bu]rlington, Vt. Mrs. Prunier brought [sui]t for divorce, naming Mrs. Campbell, or Mrs. Ash, as corespondent. [Th]e alleged abduction occurred while [th]e suit was pending. [Dr.] Prunier made a stubborn fight to [pr]event the Vermont requisition for [hi]m being signed by Gov. Roosevelt [an]d said the charge was trumped up [to] get him to Vermont so that he [mi]ght be arrested for non-support or [des]ertion. [H]e won the fight, was released and [ret]urned to his post as private secretary for Mrs. Campbell. Her entire [f]ortune was under his management, [fai]ling to get Prunier to Vermont, [s]uit for alienation was begun against [Mrs.] Campbell by Lawyer Cushman. [T]he sum named as the price of Prunier's affections is $25,000. Lawyer [Cu]shman today subpoenaed as witnesses several of Mrs. Campbell's former servants. The trial will be held [in] New York. [M]rs. Campbell has figured often before the public. She got the bulk of [th]e large fortune left by William [C]ampbell, the millionaire wall paper [ma]nufacturer of this city, whose home [wa]s on 85th street when Campbell died [in] 1887. It was charged that she was [ne]ver married to Mr. Campbell. She [pr]eviously had been known as Mrs. [illegible] Ash. [Mr.] Campbell was extremely fond of [illegible]. He cut off his daughter, Mrs. [illegible] Leonore Salmon, with $15,000. [A co]ntest followed with a long and [sens]ational trial. Joseph H. Choate [was] counsel for Mrs. Campbell and A. [illegible] Hummel appeared for Mrs. Salmon. [It] was testified that Mrs. Salmon had [trie]d to see her father during his ill[ness] and was refused. The case was [sett]led out of court, the terms being [kept] secret. [Dr.] Prunier, who is 32 years old, was [Mrs. C]ampbell's nurse during the latter's [illness]. It was while acting in this [capa]city that he first met Mrs. Campbell. He had previously studied medicine, but his health failed and he became a nurse. His engagement by [M]rs. Campbell was his last work of [th]at kind.

SEVERE FAMINE

[W]ILL THROW INDIA IN DIRE DISTRESS.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

BOSTON, Dec. 30.—The American Board of Commissioners for Foreign Missions has received from Rev. R. A. Hume, D. D., at Ahmednagar, India, a letter dated December 2, in which he says that the present famine in western India is sure to be far more distressing than even the awful famine of two years ago. The whole community in some parts will be in dire distress. Severe drought [has] already begun in the Ahmednagar [dis]trict. In many places it is hard to [get] sufficient water to drink and no [illegible] be expected until the mid[dle of] June.

FUNERALS.

HARDING—Impressive services were conducted over the remains of David Harding yesterday afternoon at two [o'clock] from his late home, 29 South [illegible] street, by Rev. R. A. Greene [illegible] and Edward E. Adams [illegible] appropriate selections. There [were] delegations present from Oberlin [illegible] and Wannalancit Encampment of [illegible]. The bearers were Messrs. [illegible] John Kilpatrick, Jas. [illegible] Fairham. Interment [was in] [illegible] under the direction of [Undertaker] [illegible] Weinbeck.

GILCHRIST—Yesterday [illegible] o'clock the funeral of George [illegible] Christ took place from his late [res]idence 37 Lane street. Services were held at house conducted by Rev. [illegible] Merriam. There was singing by Mrs. [illegible]. Interment was in the Edson cemetery under the direction of Undertaker Currier.

AREY—The funeral of Reuben Arey took place yesterday afternoon from his late residence in Boston. The remains were forwarded to this city and Funeral Director J. A. Weinbeck took charge at the depot. Interment was in the Edson cemetery. The deceased is survived by one brother, E. E. Arey.

ALLEN—The funeral of Rufus Allen took place yesterday afternoon from his late residence, 5[illegible] School street.

"A Good Maxim is Never Out of Season."

Neither is a good family medicine, like Hood's Sarsaparilla. It tones up the system, cures catarrh, rheumatism, scrofula and all stomach troubles, and wards off sickness. All who are weak and worn by the effects of illness or overwork find in its use appetite, strength and health.

Hood's Sarsaparilla

Never Disappoints

Services at the house were conducted by Rev. Mr. Kenngott. The bearers were relatives of the deceased. Interment was in the Edson cemetery, under the direction of Undertaker Currier.

SMITH—Yesterday morning the funeral of Michael Smith, the young lad who was drowned while skating on Beaver Brook, Dracut, Wednesday morning took place from the home of his parents in School street, Dracut, at 11 o'clock. The funeral was very largely attended by relatives and acquaintances of the deceased. Among the numerous floral tributes were a mammoth pillow inscribed "Our Son" from the bereaved parents and pillow inscribed "Brother" from brothers and sisters; cross composed of roses and pinks from Mr. and Mrs. Fels and family; basket composed of roses and pinks, Tillotson family of Lawrence; basket, Miss Driscoll, a former teacher of the deceased; spray of white pinks, schoolmates; spray, James H. Rudd and family; spray of pinks, Miss Maggie Allen; spray, Miss Louise Hillman. The bearers were Thomas O'Leary, William Roddy, Fred Eckhart, Joseph Smith, Frank Kennedy and Joseph Swift. The remains were forwarded to Amesbury for interment at 1:45 o'clock by Undertaker J. F. O'Donnell.

DAVENPORT—The funeral of Howard Bennett Davenport, son of William E. and Alice, took place yesterday morning at 10 o'clock from the home of his parents in Tewksbury. Services were held at the house, conducted by Rev. C. G. Billings. Interment was in Boston and Undertaker J. B. Currier had general charge.

MINTER—Very impressive services were held yesterday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock over the remains of the late Mrs. James Minter at her home, 33 Rolfe street. The officiating clergyman was Rev. Smith Thomas Ford, pastor of the First Baptist church. Several appropriate selections were effectively rendered by Mrs. W. H. Paplin and Miss Rudd, among which were "Abide with Me" and "Rock of Ages." Under the direction of the officiating clergyman the service usually taking place at the grave was conducted at the house, and was most impressive as he slowly repeated, "I am the resurrection and the life," and the committal service as the ashes fell upon the casket.

Mrs. Minter was born in Chambly, Canada, in 1827, going to Newton to live in 1843. In 1846 she was married to Mr. James Minter. They came to Lowell in 1865, where they have since resided, first in Belvidere and later in their beautiful home in Rolfe street. Twelve successive winters have been spent in Florida.

In 1873 Mrs. Minter joined the First Baptist church during the pastorate of Rev. D. E. Mallory, where she has been one of its most beloved and useful members. Four daughters were born to them, but she is survived by only one, Mrs. Allen C. Sargent of Graniteville. Three years ago Mrs. Minter and her husband, who survives her, celebrated the fiftieth anniversary of their marriage. Her charities were quiet but numerous and her life beautiful in its domestic relations. She occupied no public position but adorned the home and the church and found her fullest satisfaction in making others happy.

Interment was in the Lowell cemetery under the direction of Undertaker J. B. Currier.

UNIQUE CALENDAR

FARTHER LIGHTS SOCIETY RAISING MONEY FOR MISSIONS.

An ambitious effort for the cause of missions has been made by the Farther Lights, a young ladies' missionary society of the Branch street Baptist church of this city in the publication of an illustrated missionary calendar of 60 large pages, 7 by 11 inches, with a selection for each day of the year by Lowell people and men and women of prominence on both continents. There are cuts of more than 60 contributors, including the late D. L. Moody, Rev. Wm. Edgar Geil, the evangelist who is soon coming to Lowell, and other evangelists, Mr. Sankey, Fredefick H. Jacobs, both names coupled with Mr. Moody's, and other gospel singers and hymn writers. There are also many other faces familiar in Lowell. All profits from sale of the calendars will be devoted to missions. A limited number of the calendars will be on sale at the rooms of the Y. W. C. A. and the Y. M. C. A.

The presswork is by The Sun Job Print and is very beautiful.

Orders should be placed at once to secure calendars. Price in mailing envelope, 35 cents each. Postage, 5 cents extra.

DUKE OF CONNAUGHT.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

LONDON, Dec. 30—The Queen has approved the appointment of the Duke of Connaught as commander-in-chief of the British forces in Ireland.

DEATHS

FOX—The many friends of Catherine Fox, wife of Police Officer Edward Fox, will be pained to hear of her demise which occurred last night at St. John's hospital. Deceased was a devout member of the Sacred Heart church and was well liked by all who had the pleasure of her acquaintance. Her death was very sudden, as she was only taken ill last [illegible]. Besides being survived by a [husband] she leaves three daughters, [illegible] and Margaret, the well [known] [illegible] and one [illegible] school teacher, [sur]vived by a brother [illegible]. She is also survived [by] [illegible] of Oxford, Mass., and [illegible] Gagon of [this] city. The [illegible] Bessie Gagon of this city. The remains were removed from St. John's hospital [this] morning to her late home, 8[illegible] street by Undertaker J. F. O'Donnell.

CRONIN—Timothy Cronin, aged 64 years, died early this morning at his home, 5 Little street. Deceased prior to his demise was an employe of the city. Besides a wife, Hannah, he is survived by one daughter, Lizzie; a sister, Mrs. Jeremiah Sullivan, and a brother, Michael, who is now out west. Deceased was a devout member of St. Patrick's parish and was an old resident of this city. The funeral will take place Sunday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock.

MAGUIRE—James, son of John E. and Mary Maguire, aged 3 years and 7 months, died Friday at the home of his parents, 61 Charles street.

DE CARTERET—Ann Maria, aged 27 years, wife of Arthur De Carteret, died at her home in North Chelmsford Thursday.

WHITES HAVE THE PLAGUE.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

MELBOURNE, Victoria, Dec. 30.—Advices from Noumea, New Caledonia, say that five whites there have been attacked by the plague. One of them has since died. Fifteen Kanakas and Chinese have died from the plague and 12 are under treatment.

MR. MORRIS M. NASH APPOINTED SUPERINTENDENT OF THE LOWELL AND SUBURBAN STREET RAILROAD COMPANY.

THE CLOSING DAY

Of the Municipal Year of 1900

PREPARATIONS FOR INAUGURAL EXERCISES

Another Candidate Mentioned for Cheney's Job

It was the last day, all but one of the old year at city hall yesterday and every one was busy too, even City Messenger Fagan with the sword of Damocles just scraping his neck was making ready for the new regime. "No one will be able to say that I didn't leave the place looking clean," remarked the city messenger as he looked at the work of his help.

And in that respect he was quite right for the neat appearance of the hall at all times during the year has called forth many complimentary remarks from visitors. Two of his principal hustlers, Janitor Delmage and Assistant Janitor Fagan, father of the city messenger, are veterans of the civil war and cannot be removed without cause other than partisan grounds and for that fact all lovers of cleanliness are duly grateful.

Mayor Crowley was about all day and received many visitors. His work on the inaugural was finished a day ago and late yesterday afternoon he received the printed slips of the address for final corrections.

The usual crop of candidates loafed about at different times during the day but the workers were too busy to give them much attention.

In the superintendent of streets' office, where Cheney and Beals and Mack do their work in silence each mentally pitying the other as he figures out his own majority, there was no one present but George Frye who during all the trouble, knows nothing and hears nothing except what he's paid to know and hear. George could not tell how it was looking or how many candidates are in the fight.

At Thursday's meeting of the overseers of the poor nothing that would indicate how the overseers stood as regards Messrs. Wyman and Pinder appeared above the surface but there were deep whisperings and sly investigations that betokened some deep-laid plot. Supt. Wyman and Col. Pinder were both at city hall yesterday morning as they are nearly every day and they greeted each other frostily as usual. Some one suggested that as long as the city has started to pension police officers it might go further and retire perennial office seekers on a pension. If such were the case none would be more eligible than the colonel who probably beats all local records for holding salaried offices.

THE INAUGURATION.

The [ina]uguration of the new city government [will] take place in the aldermen's chamber [at] city hall on Monday morning.

The exercises will begin [at] nine o'clock and it is the desire [of] the mayor that they be carried out on time as planned.

Preceding the inauguration there will be the customary reception in the reception room at which the ex-mayors of the city are expected to be present. Judge Samuel P. Hadley will administer the oath and the prayer for the success of the year's administration will be made by Rev. Michael O'Brien. After the mayor has read his inaugural address the joint convention of the city council will be dissolved and the two branches will proceed to organize and ballot for city officials.

Officers of the High school battalion will officiate as ushers at the inaugural exercises and admission will be by card. The clergymen of the city, both Protestant and Catholic, are among those invited to be present.

The final arrangements for the inauguration day exercises were completed this noon and the city messenger's help went to the assistance of City Clerk Dadman, who sent away copies of the Lowell city documents to all the cities of this commonwealth.

In all the departments the clerks were busily engaged on the bills for the month, getting them ready for the committee on accounts which will meet tomorrow. The committee intended to meet this afternoon but the bills will not all be ready at that time and hence a Sunday meeting will be necessary.

Buy Hovey's Mandolins.

MORRIS M. NASH

Appointed Suprintendent to Succeed Mr. Begley

Manager Woodman of the Lowell and Suburban railway company has appointed Morris M. Nash, who has been in the employ of the road for the past six years to the vacancy caused by the death of the late superintendent, Philip T. Begley.

The appointment was made yesterday afternoon and reflects credit on the judgment of the manager and is a mark of appreciation toward Mr. Nash. Mr. Nash is a practical railroad man and has a thorough knowledge of electricity as applied to street railways. He has attained his present high position through exceptional merit and steady application. Mr. Nash began his career in electrical railroading in Auburn, N. Y. where he worked for the Auburn street railway as a motorman. In less than a year he had so far advanced in his knowledge of electricity as a motive power for street cars that he was not only able to run a car, but could make any necessary repairs.

When the Globe Street Railway company of Fall River was being changed from horse to electric power, Mr. Nash assisted in the installation of the electric system and after the work had been completed he was given charge of the motor repair department. In 1893 he came to Lowell to take charge of the repairs of cars at the power station where he was foreman until July 1 when he was appointed master mechanic of the Merrimack Valley division of the Massachusetts Electric companies.

Mr. Nash is a young man and his rapid advancement should be an incentive to all young men. He is only 36 years of age and in nine years has worked himself upward from motorman to superintendent. He is married and has an interesting family of four children. Mr. Nash lives at 23 Burnside street. Supt. Nash will begin his duties January 1st.

ASSISTANT POSMASTER

EDWARD C. MANSFIELD APPOINTED FOR BOSTON.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

BOSTON, Dec. 30.—Boston's new postmaster called at the post office yesterday morning and spent an hour in going over the details of the office. Mr. Hibabrd will commence the duties of his new position Monday morning next. Acting postmaster Henderson introduced him to the heads of departments. Mr. Hibbard will have as his assistant Sec. Edward C. Mansfield of the republican club of Massachusetts, who will be made assistant postmaster.

MAN HURT

IN THE BOSTON SUBWAY LAST NIGHT.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

BOSTON, Dec. 30.—As a result of an accident [in] the subway last night at the Boylston street station, C. H. Heath, 61 years of age, of 11 Worcester square is at the emergency hospital in a serious condition. When he was taken to the hospital he was so dazed that he was unable to tell how it occurred but it is said he was struck by a car he was trying to board.

He sustained three wounds of the scalp, one of his left ribs was fractured and his neck and shoulder were sprained and it was thought that he had received internal injuries. At a late hour last night his name was placed on the dangerous list.

KIPLING IS ILL.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

LONDON, Dec. 30—Rudyard Kipling, his wife and two children are confined to their rooms, suffering from influenza, but there is no anxiety as to their condition.

THE STREET CARS

Are to Run all Night Sunday

FOR THOSE ATTENDING MIDNIGHT MASS

The Sun's Suggestion Favorably Received

The Sun's suggestion that the street railroad run cars late Sunday night for the accommodation of those who wish to attend the midnight mass services in the Catholic churches has received the favorable consideration of the street railroad company and cars will be run through at noon It had not been decided just which lines will be favored.

The vesper service at the Immaculate Conception church will be omitted tomorrow evening and the Fathers will devote their time from 6 o'clock to the hearing of confessions. Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament will be given immediately after the high mass Sunday.

BIG STORE BURNED

FURNITURE STORE OF LINDSEY & MORGAN DESTROYED.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

SAVANNAH, Dec. 29.—The furniture store of Lindsey and Morgan and the dry goods store of Daniel Hogan were burned tonight. Loss $150,000; insurance about 60 per cent.

LONDONERS

TO RIDE ON TROLLEY CARS.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

LONDON, Dec. 29.—The trolley car, which heertofore has been kept out of conservative old London, will soon be humming through her streets and there isn't any doubt that they will be American built and American equipped vehicles. The county council has decided to instal the underground electric system at a cost of three millions sterling or nearly $15,000,000. It will apply to parliament for permission to make the expenditure. Plans have not been completed but it seems probable that the method to be adopted will be that in use on the Eighth avenue line in New York. London has been singularly slow in adopting improved methods of tramway propulsion. Like New York she allowed herself to be outstripped for years by smaller cities.

Glasgow which is one of the most go-ahead cities in Great Britain, and owns her street car service was ahead of London in deciding on an underground trolley system. Some time ago it decided to expend $15,000,000 on an electric plant and all the conduits, cables, electric appliances and one thousand cars have been contracted for in the United States.

When London gets its trolley cars in operation, the Cockney will be better off than the New Yorker for he will be able to ride the average distance that he wants to go for fares of two and three cents, though the cars will never be allowed to go as fast as they do in New York nor would this city stand the jugernaut murders of Brooklyn.

LOTS OF SHOES

SHIPPED FROM BROCKTON DURING THE YEAR.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

BROCKTON, Mass., Dec. 30.—Over half a million cases of shoes were shipped from this city during the year 1899, the exact number being 624,185. This is the largest in the history of the trade in Brockton.

Last year a total was 477,703 cases. The increase over last year was 46,452 cases.

Taking 21 pairs as a fair average of the number in a case, there were over 11,000,000 pairs of shoes shipped this year. In addition to this, there are thousands of pairs sent by mail of which no record is kept.

The shipments for the 10 years prior to 1899 averaged 410,000 cases per year.

COMMUNICATION.

Mr. Editor:—Allow me space in your valuable paper to say a few words about that 10 per cent. raise, which was advertised at the Talbot mills of Billerica. The raise given by this company is only 3 per cent. of what was promised. The yard hands' pay remains the same, although it was understood that they were included in the advance in wages.

This hardly fair. It is hard enough to receive an advance of 3 per cent., when we were promised 10 per cent., but to cut the yard hands out of an increase entirely is too much.

Thanking you for the space, I remain
A YARD HAND.

Hovey's Banjos, 9 1-2 Wyman's Exchange.

Good skating at Long Pond.

A Clothing Crash Caused by the Tight Money Market.

One of the most widely and favorably known New York pantaloon manufacturers, unable to obtain accommodation at the banks, was forced to sacrifice part of his stock to avert disaster. The result is that we have today about 300 PANTALOONS in neat Oxford gray stripe wool cheviot.

At 89c., Worth $1.50

250 PANTALOONS, in all wool pin check, smooth-faced cheviot.

At 98c., Worth $1.75

600 PANTALOONS in very heavy winter strictly all wool cheviots and cassimeres, in a dozen different shades every one a desirable style.

At $1.50 worth $2.50 and $3,

500 ALL WORSTED PANTALOONS, in neat dark stripes, very dressy,

At $2, worth $3.50 and $5

There is a big loss on each pair of pants to the New York manufacturer and a corresponding gain to the people of Lowell who will buy these goods.

J. L. CHALIFOUX.

Central and Middle Sts.

FOUND NOT GUILTY

Provision Dealer Charged With Selling Undressed Poultry

THE COMPLAINT MADE BY LAWYER HUNT

Fine of $100 in Liquor Case Imposed

Only three drunks appeared in the police court before Judge Hadley this morning.

Michael Beck, a first offender, was assessed $5, and Rose Lee was ordered placed in charge of the probation officer for a term of six months.

Harry Percival pleaded guilty to a charge of drunkenness. He was formerly for many years in the U. S. navy. His wife testified that he has been of no help to her since his return and that he has been intoxicated nearly all the time. On promise that he would enlist in the navy again, the court released Percival.

James H. Lynch pleaded guilty to a charge of illegal keeping and was fined $100.

The court rendered its decision in the case of George R. Myers, proprietor of the Central market, charged with the sale of undressed poultry, which was tried in police court Tuesday but the court reserved its decision until today. The complaint was made by Lawyer John L. Hunt, who claimed he purchased a turkey for Thanksgiving at the defendant's store. He claimed the turkey contained its crop and entrails and went bad. He ate the turkey Thanksgiving and all of his family, including himself were made ill. Mr. Myers, on the other hand, claimed that he has given his clerks strict orders not to sell poultry that contained its crop and entrails, and thought his orders were being carried out.

The court found Myers not guilty and ordered him discharged. D. J. Donahue, Esq., appeared for the defendant.

FOUR MEN KILLED

In a Boiler Explosion This Morning

SEVERAL OTHERS SERIOUSLY INJURED

The Men Were Railroad Men

By Associated Press to The Sun.

LANCASTER, Pa., Dec. 30.—Four men were killed and several others injured by a boiler explosion one mile west of Elizabethtown this morning. They were employes of Keller & Cresson, railroad contractors. The dead were:

Donald Haldeman of Bainbridge.
Wit Sherbahn of West Donegal.
Burt Harris, a negro.
An Italian known as Tony.

The latter was hurled one hundred and fifty feet.

MAINE HERO'S FUNERAL.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

NEW YORK, Dec. 30.—The funeral of Frederick Holzer, 22 years of age, one of the victims of the battleship Maine, took place in this city today. The services were held in St. Joseph's church, a requiem mass being celebrated by Rev. Fr. Chidwick, who was the chaplain of the Maine. Fifty members of the Cecilia society and 48 marines and sailors from the navy yard, commanded by Lieut. Dewey, a nephew of Admiral Dewey, formed the guard of honor. A party of 15 marines fired three volleys at the grave.

SEASON'S GREETING

And a Happy New Year we wish to all our patrons.

SUNLIGHT

Shoe Store

100 CENTRAL ST.

High Grade Repairing.

W. S. CRADY

LADIES' HIGH CUT

Lace shoes made from box calf stock, double soles, made on mannish lasts, giving room to the feet, making walking a pleasure. They cannot be matched less than $2.50 a pair elsewhere. Our price

$2 A PAIR

J. J. LONERCAN,

215 DUTTON ST.

Music Hall

Three days commencing Monday, Jan. 1, Wednesday matinee.

EXTRA.

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[AL]LEN CASE ENDS

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TWO WOMEN CLAIMING WIDOW'S RIGHTS

[De]ceased Had Acknowledged a Former Marriage

By Associated Press to The Sun.

BOSTON, Dec. 30.—A climax of a [n]ational nature was reached in yes[terd]ay's hearing on the petition of [Mrs.] Harriet E. Allen of Portland, Me. [to b]e appointed administratrix of the [est]ate of Supt. Elbridge G. Allen of the [New] York, New Haven and Hartford [rai]lroad, before Judge McKim in the Suf[folk] county probate court. It was in [eff]ect the introduction of testimony to [sho]w there is no record of the mar[ri]age of the petitioner with Mr. Allen [as] was claimed; at the Park street [ch]urch in this city. The church rec[or]ds were apparently supported by the [sta]te record of marriages.

[Th]e petition is opposed by Mrs. Flora [A]llen who claims a widow's title as [the] dead man's second wife, alleging [that] Mrs. Allen No. 1 was never mar[ried]. The petitioners claim marriage [in] 1872. Mrs. Allen No. 2 was married [in] New York last January. The case [of] the respondent is now on, the pe[tit]ioner's case having been ended.

John E. Parker of the Park street [ch]urch said that Mrs. Harriet Allen [ca]lled on him in November and inquir[ed] as to the whereabout of Rev. Mr. [Mu]rray. She said she wished to sub[st]antiate her marriage.

A letter from Secretary of State Olin [int]roduced stated that no recorded [ma]rriage of Elbridge G. Allen and [H]arriet E. Snow could be found on the [bo]oks of the state between 1871 and [187]2.

The certificate of marriage of El[b]ridge G. Allen and Flora Estelle [W]hite in New York, Jan. 15, 1899, by D. [R.] Blackburn, was introduced, giving [Mr.] Allen as a single man, as was also [a] record from books of the Church of [the] Strangers, showing that the mar[ri]age was performed there.

William G. Allen, brother of the late [E.] G. Allen, testified to meeting Har[rie]t Snow in 1873. She was with his [br]other but the latter when queried as [to] whether he was married, said "Not [mu]ch." At the time of the funeral, [Mr]s. Allen No. 2 was at the home of [the] witness. Mrs. Allen did not go to [Ma]lden, Me., with the funeral party, [but] Mrs. Allen No. 2 did. On cross ex[am]ination witness said Mrs. Harriet [Al]len was known in Portland as Mrs. [E.] G. Allen. Supposed she was broth[er's] wife. Knew they were living apart [b]ut he supported her.

BASKET BALL

HUDSON DEFEATS THE STRONG MARLBORO B. B. A.

The Marlboro B. B. A., the leading [te]am in the state basket ball league, [w]as defeated at Hudson Thursday [n]ight by the Hudsons in a fierce game [the] score standing 21 to 17 at the close [of] the game. Jack O'Neil of the Burkes [pl]ayed with the Hudsons and put up a [fin]e exhibition caging two goals from [the] floor and besides played a general [all] round good game. The line-up and [sum]mary was as follows:

Hudson	Marlboro.
O'Neil, lf	rb, Halloran
[illegible]	rb, Reid
[illegible]	c, Kynoch
Porter, lb	rf, Doyle, Knox
Howe, rb	lf, Robb

Basket from floor—Reid 2, O'Neil 2, [Po]rter 2, Green, Howe 2. Baskets on [fou]ls—Porter 7, Reid 11. Missed [fou]ls—Porter, Kynoch, Reid 5. [Fou]led—On Knox, Robb 4, Kyn[och], Halloran, O'Neil 5, Green 5, Por[ter]. Referee—H. L. Dadmun.—Tim[er]—Sawyer, Hudson; John [Ha]rt, Marlboro. Time—20-minute [hal]ves. Attendance—1200.

[G]ERMAN STEAMER

[CAPT]URED AS A BRITISH PRIZE AND TAKEN TO DURBAN.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

LOURENZO MARQUEZ, Delagoa Bay, Dec. 30.—The German steamer Bundesrath, belonging to the German East African line, has been captured as a prize and taken to Durban. The Bundesrath arrived here from Mozambique.

The German steamer Bundesrath of 1519 tons, sailed from Hamburg, Nov. 8, for Tanga, East Africa.

STRIKERS LOSE

STRIKE AT CARPET MILLS WAS SHORT-LIVED.

The strike in the Brussels finishing room in the Carpet mills appears to be off, as some of the strikers returned to work yesterday without their increase while the others were replaced by other workmen.

SURPRISE PARTY.

Last evening there was a pleasant surprise party at the home of Mr. William Hayes, 73 East Merrimack street. During the evening, Mr. Hayes was presented with a quartered oak sideboard. The presentation speech was made by Frank Blake. Dancing, songs and recitations were enjoyed.

EX-POLICEMAN

"JACK" INGALLS TO RECEIVE A TESTIMONIAL.

After the adjournment of the board of aldermen last night Alderman Libby circulated a paper for a fund for the benefit of ex-Patrolman Jack Ingalls. The latter was one of the oldest officers on the police force and was retired under the physical test of the civil service several years ago. He was brought to mind by the recent passage of the police pension bill in which it was of course too late for him to benefit. The paper was headed by Mayor Crowley and signed by several of the aldermen and city hall attaches, most of them $5 subscriptions. It will be extensively signed.

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DRIVEN TO DEATH

Olaf Sundstrom Found Dead in a Hotel

WAS A RESIDENT OF BOSTON

But Went to New York in Quest of Work

By Associated Press to The Sun.

NEW YORK, Dec. 30.—Because his little children were sick and because he was sick himself and out of work, Olaf Sundstrom committed suicide by cutting his throat with a razor in room 357 of the Grand Union hotel, yesterday afternoon, about 3 o'clock.

The man registered at the Grand Union Dec. 26, signing his name "O. Sundstrom, Boston." Since then he has been daily seen about the office of the hotel. Yesterday morning a chamber maid knocked at his door about 9.30 o'clock and asked if there was anything he wanted done. "No, nothing you can do for me, thank you," was the reply that came over the transom.

There was something strange in his voice, and at 3.15 she told Manager Turbel she feared something was wrong. Then the door was broken open. Sundstrom's lifeless body was found upon the bed, an ugly wound in his throat, and a razor lying near the right hand.

A letter signed "Your affectionate wife, Evie," dated "The Rochdale," Boston, was among the papers on the dresser. It said:

"The children are very sick, but I hope your health is improving."

This letter was addressed to him "Care of A. Williams, Highlands, Ulster county, New York."

In another letter was found a check in his favor, signed by his brother, William H. Sundstorm, who lives in Boston.

There was an illustration showing a lad kneeling at a woman's feet, with the sentiment: "If you are getting along with enough to eat and enough to cover you, then don't go hunting for a change, for it's mighty apt to be a bad one. For even the faith of God almighty promises only enough." The clipping was evidently from a newspaper.

Sundstorm had recently been employed by the aeolian company, No. 18 West 23d street, but had been forced to give up work on account of ill health. He is said to have suffered from nervous collapse.

BELONGED IN BOSTON.

Olaf Sundstorm was manager of the Aeolian department of M. Steinert & Son's piano establishment at 162 Boylston street, Boston. Two months ago he went to New York city, where he had lived since. Of late he had been somewhat despondent, but none of his associates or relatives ever thought for an instant that he would commit such a rash act. He resided in Hingham.

He had a brother, W. H. Sundstorm, who lives in the Rochdale hotel, Blue Hill avenue, Roxbury. The latter was seen last evening by a reporter, who was the first to bear the sad news to him of his brother's death. He was completely prostrated by it, as Olaf was his only brother, and he had a great affection for him. A short while ago he sent Olaf a check for $50, with which to tide over his difficulties. He could not give any reason for the deed, but thought that it was done in a fit of despondency.

TWO BOUTS

FOR GEORGE GARDINER NEXT MONTH.

George Gardiner, the crack Lowell middleweight, will in all probability figure in two bouts at Lynn next month. The first will be on January 9th, and his opponent will be Harry Fisher of New York, who was defeated by Gardiner at Brooklyn last summer in seventeen rounds. His opponent in the second bout will be a much tougher customer than Fisher. He will be George Byers, the colored middleweight of Boston, rated as one of the best fighters of his class in the country. The second bout will be decided January 27th. Special trains may be run from Lowell for the second fight, and possibly the first, too.

ENGAGEMENT ANNOUNCED.

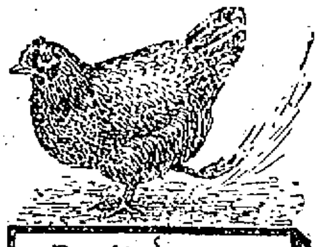
The engagement is announced of Miss Jenny Lind Lewis of this city and Dr. Edward B. Evans of Fargo, North Dakota. Dr. Evans was graduated from the Baltimore Medical college in '97, and was prominent in athletics there, being captain of the foot ball team for two years. Miss Lewis has been spending the winter at her home in Stevens street.

VENUS' SECOND.

The second dance of the Venus Social club was held last night at Manchester Unity hall. A large number were on the floor and enjoyed dancing until a late hour.

The officers were: General manager, John McKenzie; floor director, Frank Lally; assistant, Richard Clayton; aids, William Chisholm, George McClure and Oscar Peroux.

Rev. and Mrs. L. W. Staples gave an informal reception Thursday evening in honor of their son, Charles, who is a student at Middletown, Conn. The guests were intimate friends.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TO A NEW OFFICE

Rev. T. J. McCormack for Assistant Chancellor

By Associated Press to The Sun.

BOSTON, Dec. 30.—The Rev. Thomas J. MacCormack of the Cathedral of the Holy Cross has been appointed assistant chancellor of the archdiocese of Boston, which is a new office. The duties will be important.

Fr. MacCormack was born in Boston in 1865, and received his early education in the public schools and was graduated from the Bilmmer grammar school. Then he spent a short time in academical studies in Frampton Academy in Pennsylvania, and, returning to this city, entered Boston College, from which he was graduated with the class of '81. He was prominent in literary circles, and served on the board of editors of the Stylus, the college journal. In the fall of '91 he entered St. John's Seminary, Brighton, where he received his priestly training.

At a very early age he became a sanctuary boy at the Cathedral, and has since, as master of ceremonies, seminarian and priest, been closely connected with the Cathedral. For many years, as a sanctuary boy, he attended Archbishop Williams. Upon his ordination to the priesthood, Fr. MacCormack was assigned by the archbishop as a curate at the Cathedral, an office seldom trusted to so young a man. At the Cathedral, Fr. MacCormack has been master of ceremonies, a position which calls for an unusual knowledge of the ceremonial and rubrics of the church.

PECULIAR CHILD

REFUSES TO TALK BUT SINGS LIKE A BIRD.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

NEW YORK, Dec. 30.—The case of the little girl with the short black hair who sings but does not talk is still puzzling the headquarters police and Matron Travers. The child is about 4 years old; has black hair cut loose to her head like a boy's, is about three feet in height, weighs about eighty pounds and has dimples and rosy cheeks. She was brought into the Mulberry street station at midnight on Wednesday.

"What is your name, little one?" asked Mrs. Travers as the child entered the room. There was no answer.

"What's the trouble with her, Mr. Williams?" she inquired of the officer.

"Blessed if I know," he replied. "The sergeant and the captain and the reporters and all of 'em up to the Thirty-seventh street station house were trying to find out that same thing, but nobody did."

"Are you hungry?" the child was asked.

For answer she nodded affirmatively.

After the bowl of bread and milk Mrs. Travers, still puzzling over the strange silence, said:

"Do you like kitties?" She produced a black tabbie almost as large as a wild cat, while the child nodded a great deal and began stroking the black fur.

After breakfast the next morning the canary began to sing. The child sang with it. There were no words to the song. It was a stream of sound, melodious, unbroken.

"Strange!" exclaimed Mrs. Travers, "how can she sing when she will not talk?"

Last night, when Williams got off duty, he hurried down to headquarters to see his ward.

"How's your charge?" he asked of Mrs. Travers.

"Well, she'll never hang herself with talking," she said.

SUNKEN SCHOONER

SIGHTED BY THE BRITISH STEAMER ASHLAND.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

NORFOLK, Va., Dec. 30.—Captain Lewith of the British steamer Ashland from Galveston to Marseilles, via Norfolk, reports that when 25 miles north, one-quarter east of Diamond Shoals lights; off Cape Hatteras, he passed the wreck of a large three-masted schooner, the only things visible above the water being topmasts. There were no signs of life about the vessel or wreckage floating and the sea was too rough to permit his ship to go near the wreck. The size of the masts indicated a vessel whose crew was not less than ten men. The schooner undoubtedly sank in Saturday night's storm and the men must have gone down with their ship.

JOHN STREET METHODIST CHURCH

Mr. E. P. Telford, the English evangelist, will begin a twelve-day mission in Central church, corner of John and Paige streets, tomorrow morning, at 10.30 o'clock. He will also preach at the union watch meeting which begins at 8.15 p. m., and closes at 12.10 Monday morning. The John street Congregational church will unite in the watch night services. Rev. G. H. Johnson and Thomas Judge will speak. Sunday school concert at 6.45 p. m. No Epworth League on account of the watch meeting.

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IS EIGHTY YEARS

Birthday of Rev. Thomas Haworth Today

THE VENERABLE CHAPLAIN AT LOWELL JAIL

Sketch of His Honorable Career

Today marks the 80th birthday of Rev. Thomas Haworth, the venerable chaplain of the Lowell jail and in honor of the occasion he will receive his friends this afternoon and evening from 3 to 9 at his home, 336 Moody street.

Rev. Mr. Haworth is a native of Blackburn, England, and came to this country in May, 1850. He comes of staunch Methodist stock, his father and four uncles, brothers of the latter having been preachers in the same denomination.

Mr. Haworth began his career as a preacher when a young man in the old country. After coming to America he was ordained a deacon by Bishop James at an annual meeting in Springfield and four years later was ordained as elder at St. Paul's church in this city where the annual conference was held. His ministerial work in England covered a period of ten years. Though not a college man, Rev. Mr. Haworth was remarkably successful, his career having been self-helping and self-sacrificing. His first work in this country was in Billerica where he preached for five years and started a church. After leaving Billerica, Rev. Mr. Haworth went to Graniteville where for several years he preached in the schoolhouse. His work there was crowned with success and at the time of the civil war, a good church edifice was erected for the use of the Methodist people. On the first day of December, 1867, he held first services at the jail by invitation of Sheriff Kimball. During the administration of Sheriff Cushing he retained his position there and still continues his ministrations each Sunday morning. He draws a salary of $150 a year from the county and helps himself a little by canvassing when able to do so. He says it is pretty hard soil to cultivate but having preached to the prisoners for 32 years it has come to be a part of his life and he enjoys the work.

The prisoners pay very strict attention to him and he has a good quartette choir that is paid by the county. Every week for the last 11 years Mrs. Haworth has gathered over one hundred papers from institutions and individuals to send to the jail. Their collection and the task of looking them over to see that nothing unwise is sent to the inmates of the jail is a monotonous duty but it is faithfully performed and doubtless does much good. In 1868 and 1869, Mr. Haworth was chaplain at the poor farm.

Notwithstanding the fact that worldly prosperity has not come his way, Mr. Haworth is always cheerful and happy, always ready to say a kind word to others in distress. His sympathetic nature wins the confidence of all who are thrown into intimate relations with him. He says that the ministers of the local churches have been especially kind, helping him in many ways.

While conducting services in Graniteville, Mr. Haworth's labors were somewhat severe as he was obliged to travel back and forth with a team in all sorts of weather.

Mr. Haworth has been three times married. His first wife accompanied him to this country, from England and she died in March, 1852. His present wife was formerly Mrs. Hodgman of this city. He has two sons, John H., of the firm of Haworth & Watson in Lincoln street, Chas. W., foreman in the same establishment, and Thomas, who is now in Minnesota. He has also one grandson, Lloyd Haworth, son of John H. Haworth. Two sisters are still living in England, Mrs. James Fryer of Manchester and Mrs. Henry Kelsall of Exeter, near London.

Mr. Haworth has been a devoted and faithful member of the Worthen street M. E. church since he first came to Lowell in 1850. He is also an Odd Fellow, and has been chaplain of Oberlin lodge since 1867 or 1868.

All the rage, Hovey's Guitars.

BURKES—P. A. C.

IN GREAT SHAPE FOR MONDAY'S GAME.

Both the Burkes and P. A. C.'s have put in much preparatory work during the past week and are in great shape for the game at Associate hall Monday night. It will be the third and probably last game of these teams in this city, and it will also decide the championship of the city, each team having won one game this season, so it ought to be a rattling contest.

Good skating at Long Pond.

DISASTROUS FIRE

Two Seven Story Buildings Down

THE LOSS WILL REACH HALF A MILLION

Firemen Had a Very Narrow Escape

By Associated Press to The Sun.

NEW YORK, Dec. 30.—The two seven-story buildings at Nos. 425 to 435 East 24th street, occupied principally by the wall paper factory of Wm. Campbell and company, were destroyed by fire last night, loss is fully $500,000.

The plant of the New York Hygeia Ice company, which occupied the basement of No. 425 and that of the Manhattan Electric Light company on the first and second floors of the same buildings were destroyed. A large portion of the east side gets its lights from that company and was on account of the fire, cast into complete darkness.

The Campbell company employed 400 hands, who will be thrown out of work. The two buildings destroyed occupied a frontage of 200 feet on 24th street, the entire avenue frontage to 25th street and 15 feet on the latter street.

Patrick Gannon, the night watchman in the buildings, discovered the fire on the first floor at 10.15 o'clock.

Five alarms were turned in bringing to the scene 25 engines, 13 hook and ladder trucks and two water towers. Withing 20 minutes after the fire was discovered, the entire west side of the factory was a roaring furnace.

There no large buildings close enough to catch and the firemen were able by hard work to keep the flames confined to the Campbell buildings.

Three hook-and-ladder men, Andrew Dexnan, Joseph Shaughnessy and Joseph Messinger, were caught on the sixth floor and escaped with great difficulty, all were severely burned.

Two other hook-and-ladder men were caught on one of the high window ledges, with the flames roaring all around them, and the dense smoke making them almost imperceptible from the street. Extension ladders were run up and firemen brought them down in an almost unconscious condition. One of the men, Lee Potter, was very severely burned.

At midnight one section of the walls fell, almost burying a number of firemen whose escape was miraculous and injuring several men. The walls crushed in the roof of the water supply house adjoining, and the city's loss will be heavy.

The cause of the fire is unknown. The properties of all three firms are destroyed beyond the hope of saving a dollar's worth. The losses are partly covered by insurance.

The firm of Wm. Campbell and company was a heavy loser by fire eight years ago when its plant was destroyed.

Good skating at Long Pond.

ELECTRIC WIRE BROKEN.

An electric wire broke in Central street near the corner of Market, last night, shortly before midnight and it was nearly 4 o'clock before it was repaired. It was a live wire, but fortunately nobody came in contact with it.

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HOME CLUB WON

Highland Club Downed by Lawrence Men

The Home club of Lawrence paid a visit to the Highland club last evening and defeated the local team by a score of 5 to 2 in a contest, which included whist, billiards, pool and bowling.

It was the first contest of the inter-club tournament held in this city, and that a great deal of interest was taken in the result was indicated in the large crowd present and the closeness with which the different games were watched. Summarized the score was as follows: Billiards, Lowell, 1; Lawrence, 1; pool, Lawrence, 2; bowling, Lowell, 1; Lawrence, 2; whist, tie; total, Lawrence, 5; Lowell, 2.

The bowling contest was perhaps the most interesting and a large crowd watched the balls spinning down the alleys. There was no phenomenally good work and it was suggested that somebody must have forgotten to tip the alley boys. The game was close and exciting, however, as will be seen from the score, 2318 to 2306. Farrell of the Highland club was high man with a score of 159. The Lowell boys scored one point and the Home club two in the contest, each string won counting for one point.

Billiards had its share of attention and a number of good plays were seen. Wm. A. Read was pitted against James E. Lanigan of the Home club, and the Lawrence man had the advantage from the start. He was in excellent form and when he had finished the allotted 150 points his opponent had 105. M. W. Morrill scored an easy victory over W. H. Hawes at billiards, the Lowell man counting only 74 to the Home club man's 150.

At pool, Ashton Lee of the Home club won from Richard Charlton, 75 to 61, while E. H. Whittredge completed his 75 while his opponent, William Gray, was at 66. Whist was played by four members from each club. The Lowell men were Frank A. Smith, Fred A. Wilcox, Chester F. Smith and Daniel Frye. The Home club was represented by Dr. O. T. Howe, Henry Klous, William T. Kimball and J. D. Horne. Twenty-four hands were played and the score stood 10 to 10, a tie.

The bowling score was as follows:

HOME CLUB.

				Totals
Brown	129	160	161	449
Russell	172	170	132	474
Robinson	135	149	143	427
Sherman	153	127	147	457
Pond	153	168	160	481
Totals	760	788	765	2318

HIGHLAND CLUB.

Farrell	170	161	179	510
Murphy	153	167	140	455
Anderson	144	112	231	487
Swift	146	160	170	456
Darlon	145	132	141	418
Totals	703	712	831	2306

At 10.30 supper was served in the club hall by the D. L. Page company and at a late hour the special conveyed the Lawrence party home.

Among the visitors were: Ashton Lee, William Kimball, Dr. O. T. Howe, J. D. Horne, Leslie H. Sherman, H. O. Pond, J. O. Brown, B. F. Robinson, R. A. Day, Dr. G. B. Elliott, James F. Lanigan, Edgar J. Whitredge, T. P. Lanagan, O. A. Kunelon, Dr. C. W. Partridge, Dr. N. B. Russell, J. K. Norwood, K. G. Norwood, E. Frank Page, R. W. Priestman, Wm. Laird, Fred H. Sargent, Henry Klous, John H. Greene, W. L. Huntress, W. D. Currier, Arthur E. Colby.

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Middlesex, ss. PROBATE COURT.

To the heirs-at-law, next of kin, all other persons interested in the estate of Maria Fallon, late of Lowell, in said county, deceased:

Whereas, a certain instrument purporting to be the last will and testament of said deceased has been presented to said court for probate, by Annie E. Fallon, who prays that letters of administration with the will annexed, may be issued to her or some other suitable person, the executor named in said will having declined the trust;

You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court to be held at Cambridge in said county of Middlesex, on the second day of January, A. D. 1900, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause, if any you have, why the same should not be granted.

And said petitioner is hereby directed to give public notice thereof, by publishing this citation once in each week for three successive weeks, in The Lowell Sun, a newspaper published in Lowell, the last publication to be one day, at least, before said Court, and by mailing, postpaid, or delivering a copy of this citation to all known persons interested in the estate, seven days, at least, before said Court.

Witness, Charles J. McIntire, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this twenty-second day of December, in the year one thousand eight hundred and ninety-nine.

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REP. MYERS RECORD.

The Haverhill Gazette is determined to prove one thing at least in regard to Representative Myers and his candidacy for the speakership. Myers claims to be a good republican when seeking republican votes and when seeking democratic votes, he claims to be as much of a democrat as a republican. The Gazette furnishes an abstract from his political record which proves him to be neither a democrat nor a republican. It is as follows:

"On Monday, Feb. [illegible], 1895 the bill for the prevention of false impersonation of voters (house 616) was read a third time, and after a debate the yeas and nays were ordered to the question of passing the bill to be engrossed, the roll being called. Mr. J.J. Meyers of Cambridge voted No!

This bill was inspired by Mr. Hutchinson as the result of the following resolution, passed by the house of representatives June 6, 1894:

Whereas, Upon due investigation, it is proven conclusively that there was "a concerted action to corrupt the election" held on November 7, 1893, in the 17th Suffolk district; "that there was a systematic attempt to register minors and to have them vote, and that there was a concerted action to secure numbers [illegible] and other parties;" that votes [illegible] by persons "who could not [illegible] and who were not within [illegible] exemptions; that these [illegible] of personation of voters [illegible] had been either absent from the city [illegible] were denied the right to vote [illegible] what prerogative had been exercised [illegible] them before they claimed it; [illegible] was "personation of" [illegible] vote, because of their [illegible] assignments in penal institutions [illegible] commonwealth;" that "a number [illegible] claiming residence in the station [illegible] the rear of number 494 Harrison [illegible] were not entitled to vote, and [illegible] their votes were illegal;" that [illegible] votes" above classified were [illegible] a spontaneous product," but were [illegible] results of careful cultivation; [illegible] the sitting members were guilty of [illegible] issuing in the course of their campaign a circular misrepresenting the petitioner, Hutchinson, as to his record upon [illegible] public questions as a member of the previous legislature, a statement proven to be false, upon a question vitally affecting the campaign—an act which admits negligence of the election officers of precinct five in the mutilation of ballots with respect to representatives, that a large number of ballots were so mutilated—marked in [illegible] with extra marks, tending to render void the expression of the voter in that one respect—the grossest outrage that could be committed upon the elective franchise;" and

Whereas, It is impossible to eliminate the fraud and to determine whether any persons were lawfully elected to the House in said district; and the title of the sitting members to seats in the House is impeached by proof of gross and varied fraud committed in their interest in said election; [illegible]

Resolved, That the seat now occupied by James H. Doyle as representative from the 17th Suffolk district, is hereby declared vacant.

This resolution is quoted in full to show its nature as well as to state that Mr. J. J. Myers voted against its adoption, as he voted against the bill growing out of it. But this is not the only evidence of the unreliability of Mr. Myers' judgment and his official opposition to the public welfare. He voted against a bill (House 185) to provide for the greater safety of railroad employes, a bill recommended by the commission on railroads, and when it came up again he voted against it.

On Monday, March 11, 1895, Mr. J. J. Myers voted against a bill constituting eight hours a day's work for state, county, city and town employes.

On Monday, April 8, 1895, the bill for the better protection of grade crossings (House 301) was further considered, and on the question of the rejection of the bill Mr. J. J. Myers voted Yes!

On [illegible] June 7, 1895, the bill relative to the [illegible] preference of veterans for employment in the public service (Senate [illegible]) was further considered. On the question "shall the bill pass notwithstanding the objections of his excellency the governor," Mr. J. J. Myers voted in the negative.

On Thursday, April 1, 1896, an [illegible] bill relative to the hours of labor of women and minors was put up to final passage. The "yeas" and "nays" were ordered on the question of enactment, and Mr. J. J. Myers voted against [illegible]

On Monday, Feb. 8, 1897, the bill relative to the labor of women and minors (House 481) was further considered, the question being on ordering it to a third reading. Mr. J. J. Myers voted No!

On Tuesday, March 2, 1897, the bill to enable cities and towns to manufacture and distribute gas and electricity for municipal purposes (House No. 53) was further considered; the question being on ordering it to a third reading. Mr. J. J. Myers voted No!

On Monday, March 8, 1897, 'Ordered, that the special committee, to consist of [illegible] senate, with such [illegible] be appointed to [illegible] the causes of [illegible] at the [illegible] and Tremont [illegible] shall have [illegible] persons and papers and employ a [illegible] question of the [illegible] Mr. J. J. Myers [illegible]

[illegible] Ordered, that a [illegible] composed of [illegible] subject of [illegible] influence [illegible] and industries [illegible] the [illegible] of the report [illegible] have died [illegible] der treatment.

the legislature of this commonwealth as they may deem proper. Said committee shall be furnished with a room in the state house, shall be supplied with stationery and papers, may employ a stenographer, and necessary clerical assistance, and may, if they deem necessary, hold sittings in different parts of the commonwealth. The necessary expenses of the committee, incurred in the discharge of its duties, shall be paid from the treasury of the commonwealth. On the question of the adoption of the order, as amended, the yeas and nays were ordered, and Mr. J. J. Myers of Cambridge voted No!

A DEMOCRATIC OPPORTUNITY.

The 72 democrats in the legislature will this year have an opportunity to build up their party and do much to aid in the election of Robert Treat Paine as governor next year. The republican party is broken into factions, and now that comparative harmony has been restored in the ranks of the democracy, by united action in the legislature they can solidify the party throughout the state.

There is a growing sentiment against the present administration at Washington on account of the war, the mammoth trusts and the financial legislation. By judicious action the democrats in the legislature can appeal to the public in a manner that will strengthen their party and weaken their opponents, so that next year at the national election the democratic vote in this state will be largely increased.

"The blood of Lawton is upon the heads of some of his own countrymen. That such a leader and so many men, should fall in an insurrection kept alive by men who claim to be Americans, men who claim to be the only true patriots, is enough to drive the country to madness.

Millions of American men and women are pointing their fingers to their fellows who are responsible for Lawton's death, crying, Shame! Shame! Shame!

Their heads ought to be bowed down low.

It is an accursed record."—Nashua Telegraph.

It is cheering to find even one republican paper willing to place the responsibility for the Philippine war where it properly belongs—with the republican pary—the imperialists who entered upon the war without any authority from congress.

Congressman Moody succeeded in getting an appropriation of $10,000 for improving the Merrimack river. As the amount will effect but little of the improvement necessary, it is to be hoped that he will have an additional appropriation to improve the river as far as Lowell. It might do Congressman Knox no harm if he would stop shouting for imperialism long enough to help Congressman Moody in getting more money to improve the beautiful Merrimack.

When a large number of drunks line up before Judge Hadley in police court and the police officers take the witness stand to testify against the prisoners, it would be interesting to determine just how far the police are responsible for the drunkenness which they affect to put down. Why do they permit the liquor saloons to do business openly, as they have formerly done under license, in violation of the no-license law? If they enforced the law there would be fewer drunks and fewer in police court.

The police pension act has been adopted at city hall as an economic measure, presumably to reduce the tax rate. In order to get the tax rate down to a normal figure perhaps the municipal economists will find it expedient to grant pensions to the employes of all other city departments. This is a new wrinkle in political economy which should be brought to the attention of Quincy of Boston, Pingree of Michigan and Jones of Toledo, O., without delay.

The great Duke of Marlborough is to keep up the honor of his paternal name by going to fight the Boers. He will stop a bullet just as well as an ordinary soldier, but we opine he will take much greater care to keep out of the way of the bullets. Marlborough is taking with him a squad of men to stand between him and danger, so that he will not be without a body guard in front of him.

Mayor Littlefield of Chelsea made a square attempt to remove Chief of Police Drury, but the aldermen say nay. Now if the people believe the mayor was right they will remove every one of those aldermen at the first opportunity.

The article in another column on the evils of cigarette smoking will be found of interest as showing the evil effects of the habit and the manner in which the law prohibiting the sale of cigarettes to minors is violated.

The British march to Pretoria will be interrupted by a series of well defended fortresses to take, which will be more difficult than crossing the Tugela river under fire.

It is worthy Boer strategy to employ British ships to transport flour from the United States to Rotterdam to be reshipped to Delagoa Bay for the Transvaal.

One class of experts can prove that Molineux is guilty. Another that he is innocent. This expert testimony usually goes to the side that pays most for it.

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CAUSE AND EFFECT, or THE STORY OF THE CIGARETTE.

CIGARETTE HABIT

Its Evil Effects on the System

PARALYZES THE BRAINS OF THE BOYS

What Agent Richardson Says of it

As it does not appear to be generally known that there is a law against the sale or giving of cigarettes to minors under sixteen years, it may be well to remind some people that such a law exists and reads as follows:

"Chapter 12, Acts of 1886. Section 1. No person shall sell any cigarette, snuff or tobacco in any of its forms to any person under sixteen years of age.

Section 2. No person other than the minor's parents or guardian shall give any cigarette, snuff or tobacco in any of its forms to any minor under sixteen years of age.

Penalty not exceeding $50."

The dealer who sells cigarettes to a minor is not the only person who is liable to prosecution; but a person who gives a cigarette to a boy under sixteen years of age may be prosecuted just as well as the person who sells them. The law, however, has never been really enforced although in the spring of 1893 Agent Richardson of the Humane society started out to put a stop to the selling of cigarettes to minors and would have been very successful were it not for the unjust criticisms he got for trying to enforce the law. He had evidence against fifteen well known dealers and was about to summon them into court, but seeing he was not being supported by the people of the city he refused to prosecute the dealers and has not bothered any of them since. Previous to dropping those fifteen cases however, Agent Richardson had two dealers summoned into court and both were fined.

They were tried before Judge Hadley on the first day of April, 1898. The defendant in one of the cases was Eloise Parent, a woman apparently about 40 years of age and who managed a small store at 227 Middlesex street. She pleaded not guilty to the charge of illegally selling cigarettes. Agent Richardson testified in substance that the Humane society had received numerous complaints from parents and teachers of public schools that the defendant had been selling cigarettes to children under the legal age and that he had no difficulty in learning the truth of the charges. Accompanied by one E. W. Huntington, he visited the store of the defendant, taking with him a boy named Louis Bram, who was about eight years of age. He gave the boy ten cents with which to purchase a box of cigarettes and the lad had no difficulty in procuring a box for which he paid five cents. This purchase was made in the presence of Agent Richardson and Mr. Huntington. Mr. Huntington testified in corroboration of Agent Richardson and the Bram boy also testified. He testified that he gave the defendant a ten cent piece and called for a box of cigarettes. She gave him a box and told him to put the cigarettes in his pocket until he got outside.

The woman denied that she sold the boy any, declaring that she could not have done so, for she never sold to minors. Her story didn't go with the court, however, and she was ordered to pay a fine of $15.

Joseph B. Bosquet, who kept a store at 484 Middlesex street, was then arraigned on a similar charge. The evidence was the same as in the former case and he was also found guilty and fined $15. He admitted making the sale, but said he thought the cigarettes were for Agent Richardson and his friend or he would not have sold them. Agent Richardson said that the mother of the little Bram boy, who also testified in the Bosquet case, told him that her boy had been made stupid from the excessive use of cigarettes.

The agent at that time claimed he had sufficient evidence against the fifteen other dealers, but he did not think he would be justified in pushing the matter so long as the citizens of the city would not stand by him.

It is not only the duty of Agent Richardson to try and stop the sale of cigarettes to minors, but it is also the duty of every police officer and parent, who knows the extent and results of the cigarette evil. The only possible way for human bodies to grow is by good healthy blood and no boy can afford to poison his system by smoking cigarettes. Every boy who smokes cigarettes is getting slowly poisoned. If you should put a leech on an old smoker to draw a little blood, the leech would be killed by the tobacco poison.

It is Agent Richardson's intention to again open war on the dealers who sell to minors, and it is to be hoped that he will be assisted this time by the citizens instead of criticised, for it is an evil that should be wiped out and the only way to do this is to prosecute dealers who see fit to violate the law, and it might also be well to arrest a few persons who give cigarettes to minors, for by so doing they are also violating the law. If this is done, it is more than probable that it would do away with much of this cigarette smoking by boys.

Speaking on the matter yesterday, Agent Richardson said to The Sun reporter:

"I think that the only way to put an end to this cigarette evil is to have the law forbidding the sale or giving of cigarettes to minors under the age of sixteen years thoroughly enforced. If a few of the leading dealers are brought into court and fined it will scare the other dealers and they will stop the business very quickly. It is my intention to again try and have the law enforced, and I hope I won't be criticised the way I was in 1898, when I had two dealers fined in the police court for illegal sale and was about to prosecute fifteen others. This time I will go in and fight them to a finish, for this cigarette evil must be done away with. If any person sees a dealer make a sale of cigarettes to a minor he can have him prosecuted. Every citizen has the same right as I have and this is a matter where they should make good use of such a privilege.

"The boy who smokes cigarettes is indolent, stupid, absent-minded, and the habit predisposes him to other bad habits and even leads him to crime. You will find most of the boys who are convicted of larceny are inveterate cigarette smokers. The boy who smokes is slowly digging his own grave, he is gradually getting poisoned. Students who use cigarettes are always behind those who do not in physical strength and in scholarship. I have known cases where boys have been made almost idiotic through the constant use of cigarettes.

"I think that any dealer who sells cigarettes to a minor should be prosecuted. I have received many complaints from parents regarding the sad condition of their boys on account of cigarette smoking. One woman told me that her boy is in the habit of smoking until he is overcome and he will then lie down and sleep off his stupor."

If you have not begun the habit of smoking, you have only to be brave and resolute to resist all temptations to begin. It requires no great courage to do what is easy to do, and it is real bravery to withstand the temptation of those who seem to be friends, and to refuse to follow, if bad examples are set even by good men. If any boy reading this says to himself, "I am in no danger, I only smoke a little," then let him give up that little for one week. If it is easy for him to do that of course it would be foolish for him to begin again. If it is hard to give up the habit for one week, he cannot help knowing that he is being caught in the toils of a dangerous habit, and must get out at any cost if he would be the man he should be. If you want to be good, true strong men, mentally and morally, you must let cigarettes alone, for the habit blunts the moral as well as the physical sensibilities. There is what is known as a tobacco heart which is recognized as a species of heart disease by doctors and very dangerous.

ANOTHER DEMERS.

The family of Louis Demers were somewhat apprehensive last Wednesday when the news of the death of Louis Demers in Providence was brought to them inasmuch as the head of the Lowell household is at present employed in Providence. However, a visit by a member of the family Thursday dispelled all doubts and the family are much rejoiced over the pleasant news.

A[RM]Y OFFICERS

Killed in Duels at a German Coffee House

By Associated Press to The Sun.

BERLIN, Dec. 30.—There has been a triangular duel, or rather duels, between three German army officers, as a result of a Christmas row in a coffee house in Muthausen.

Lieutenant Schlabitz was insulted by Lieutenants Ernst and Kessling, and challenged the pair. A military court of honor arranged the preliminaries.

The conditions were that the first shot should be at fifty yards, and each shot after that two yards closer range. This was to continue until one or the other was disabled. Schlabitz to have the first shot. If successful in disabling his antagonist the other man was to take his place.

Lieutenant Schlabitz's first shot wounded Kessling in the foot. Kessling replied, hitting Schlabitz in the breast and fatally wounding him.

Another duel was fought in Allenstein, East Prussia, Lieutenant Strelow was killed by Lieutenant Rau.

MISS FAULKNER A BRIDE

EX-SENATOR'S DAUGHTER WEDS DR. WILLIAM WHITE.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

PARKERSBURG, W. Va., Dec. 30.—Dr. William White of Nashville, Tenn., and Miss Jane Yynn Faulkner, daughter of ex-Senator C. J. Faulkner, were married at Bodyville, the Faulkner home, near Martinsburg, Thursday night, the Rev. F. M. Woods of Martinsburg and the Rev. T. DeWitt Talmage of Washington officiating.

Miss Sallie Faulkner, sister of the bride, was maid of honor, and R. V. Boyd of Nashville best man. Among the bridesmaids were Miss Katherine Reed, daughter of ex-Speaker Reed; Miss Mary Paxtan of New York, and Miss Maud Talmage of Washington. The costumes, decorations and gifts were the richest ever seen in West Virginia.

CURRENT COMMENT.

Brockton Enterprise: General Joubert, the successful Boer commander, is said to have served as a colonel under Stonewall Jackson during the war of the rebellion. Another tribute to the value of American business training!

Indianapolis Sun: A mayor is supposed to see that the laws are enforced. That is one of the chief reasons why a city has such an officer. It appears that in some respects the present incumbent has in some way revised the meaning of the charter and has been seeing to it that the laws are not enforced.

Manchester Union: Secretary Gage is working his typewriter even more industriously in offering explanations than when he assumed the attitude of defender of the president's anti-civil service order.

Fall River Globe: The only notable instance of strategic skill being displayed by any one on the British side thus far in this war has been by Winston Spencer Churchill, who appears to have outwitted the Boers and made his escape from his prison pen. And he was a non-combatant.

AN ADVANCE IN WAGES

"Together with an advance in wool has sent the price of wool goods up. In anticipation of this advance we have laid in an unusual large stock of goods. The best investment you can make is to buy a black or colored dress at old prices while they last. Commencing Monday, January 1, we will place these goods in stock at prices you will not get them for again in many years to come. We do this to start the new year and a new century in good earnest. Besides we want the money. If you want a mohair or brilliantine do not fail to come at once and see our bargains. Also crepons, cheviots, prunellas, serges, henriettas etc., go into the sale. Linings are also included. Now is your last chance to buy a black or colored dress at old prices.

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ADJOINING THE PRESENT GROUNDS

Small Sales of Real Estate Booming

The Middlesex North Agricultural society yesterday purchased 93,635 feet of land adjoining the fair grounds from the Bleachey company, the sale being made through the agency of William E. Potter & Son for the sum of $2500.

The society, it is said, will soon begin extensive improvements which may include the lengthening of the race track, which is at present short a few rods of half a mile.

The land purchased yesterday is a triangular strip bordering on the upper end of the fair grounds and Fay street with a frontage of 26 feet on Gorham street and extending back to the railroad tracks, where it has 150 feet frontage.

A peculiar thing about his land is the fact that a portion of it extends into the fair grounds and it was only a week or more ago that the Middlesex North people discovered the fact. For years this land had been used as the property of the Middlesex North, within a fence erected by the society.

The strip has been in the market for some time and several speculators have been after it. Mr. Potter held it, however, not wishing to crowd the Middlesex North society. The situation was such, however, that it was absolutely necessary for the society to purchase it if it wished to continue to run the fair grounds. Once the strip was sold to parties other than the Middlesex North the fair grounds would be destroyed, for the strip cuts 15 ft. into the race track. At a recent meeting the society decided to purchase the land and yesterday the purchase was made at the comparatively reasonable figure mentioned above.

With the increased space if the society desires it can make the fair grounds among the finest in the state. With an improved track, which is the principal need, the grounds will be in great demand and soon pay for the additional money expended upon them.

Mr. Potter states that there have been no great real estate transactions since Mr. Sick startled the city by his wholesale purchases, but he states the small sales of real estate have picked up finely. This is taken as an indication of the more prosperous financial condition of the men of moderate means, the working men whose ambition upon acquiring a little money, is to own a home.

DRACUT

It was a happy company of relatives and old time friends that gathered at the homestead of the pastor of the Hillside church, Dracut, Rev. J. P. Richardson, last Thursday.

Invitations had been issued by a neighbor and friends and the responses showed the continued interest that former classmates and friends had in Mr. Richardson. Many letters with substantial gifts came from those at a distance or who on account of other engagements were not able to be present while the relatives and other friends showed their regard by their presence and their kind remembrances. Mrs. Murray of New Haven and Miss Craighead of Malden, sisters of Mrs. Richardson, with their daughters, were among the guests.

The occasion was delightfully informal and light refreshments were served during the afternoon and evening. Music with piano and violin was tendered at intervals by Miss Anna Hall of Boston and Miss Mattie Maxim of No. Cambridge and was an added charm to the occasion. At times it would be one of Beethoven's Sonatas and a little later, the soft strains of "The Old Oaken Bucket" or "Auld Lang Syne" and between the dark and the daylight, "Money Musk" rang clear and strong through the house. A lady who was present remarked with dancing eyes, "Don't I remember that!" She had probably danced in the hall of the Gen. William Hildreth house across the common, 60 or more years ago.

The Richardson house has been in the family for three generations; it has been thoroughly renovated but no departure has been made from the original plan, though many conveniences have been added. The guests between 70 and 60 were given an opportunity to inspect the various rooms and were delighted with its quaintness and convenience. Many wishes were expressed that the family who were its present owners might have many years of happiness and usefulness before them.

DARTHMOUTH WON

WINCHESTER Y. M. C. A. DEFEATED AT BASKET BALL.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

WINCHESTER, Dec. 30.—The Dartmouth College basket ball team added one more to its string of victories by defeating the Winchester Y. M. C. A. team in the gymnasium here last evening, 19 to 9. An immense crowd saw the game, which was well contested. The visitors were somewhat heavier than the local team and played a very speedy game. Emerson and Crawford put in some good work for the Winchester team while Hines, who took the place of Alling in the second half, made some star plays. The summary:

Dartmouth		Winchester
Newman, rf		lg, Blank
Abbott, lf		rg Armstrong
Hubbard, c		c, Hall
Craig, rg		lf Crawford
Hines, lg		rf, Emerson

Score—Dartmouth 19, Winchester 9. Goals from field Hubbard 3, Abbott 2, Crawford 2, Blank, Emerson, Craig, Newman 2. Goals from fouls, Emerson 2, Abbott. Fouls, Crawford 2, Craig 2, Abbott, Hubbard, Hines, Armstrong, Emerson, Blank, Newman. Umpire and referee, Archibald and Durand alternately. Scorers Payne and Hines. Timers, Rice and Russell. Time 20m periods.

SUIT TO RECOVER

$600,000 VALUE OF ORE ALLEGED TO HAVE BEEN TAKEN.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

BUTTE, Mont., Dec. 30.—The Boston and Montana Mining company yesterday brought suit in the district court against the Montana Ore Purchasing company to recover $600,000 value of ore alleged to have been taken from veins of the Pennsylvania claim by the defendant concern in the last four years.

TWO PLAGUE CASES

REPORTED BY SURGEON CARMICHAEL AT HONOLULU.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 30.—The following telegram has been received by the surgeon general of the United States marine hospital service from Surgeon D. A. Carmichael at Honolulu:

Honolulu, H. I., Dec. 20, via Victoria, B. C. Dec. 28.—There are two cases reported plague at Honolulu; two deaths December 12. No new cases to December 20. Quarantine against infection raised December 19th."

Surgeon General Wyman in referring to the dispatch said he did not consider the situation critical in any respect.

TOM MORIAR[TY]

Old Lowell Fighter to Sleep

IN THE 10TH. ROUND KID PARKER

Other Boxing Bouts Night

By Associated Press to The Sun.

LEADVILLE, Col. Dec. 30.—Kid [Park]er of Denver knocked out Tom Mo[riarty] of Lowell, Mass., last night in [the 10th] round of a 20-round bout. Parker [showed] his superior hitting powers, [and the in]ability of Moriarty to successfully [meet] the terrible right and left jabs. [The] Lowell man was game, however, [and] took a severe drubbing.

Early in the 10th round Parker [landed] a left hook on Moriarty's wind, a[nd the] latter went down and out.

HAMILTON BUTTED BROA[D]

By Associated Press to The Sun.

NEW YORK, Dec. 30.—Kid Br[oad of] Cleveland got a well-earned [decision] over Jack Hamilton of Troy, [on the] latter's foul tactics, at the Broad[way A.] C. last night.

Broad was always on the aggr[essive] and Hamilton made a more th[an] defence. Round after round, [from the] first to the fifth, Hamilton [was] took with equal favor, but in the [sixth] he was knocked flat on his back, a[nd the] gong saved him. From this to th[e end] of the bout Broad spread it over h[im].

In the 21st round Hamilton, see[ing] the odds were against him, t[ried foul] tactics. In the following round he [deliber]ately butted twice, and the refe[ree dis]qualified him and declared in fa[vor of] Broad.

In the opening bout, George Ja[...] New York, defeated Joe Hopk[ins, col]ored, of Brooklyn, in the fifth r[ound].

WHITE THE VICTOR.

By Associated Press to The Sun

SIOUX CITY, [Ia.], Dec. 30.—The [bout] between Tommy White and Dick [...] last night resulted in the decis[ion for] White. George Siler was referee.

The men went the full 15 rounds, although in the second Green sc[ored a] clean knockdown. It was not a fa[ll.] White clearly had the better o[n] points.

HURST PICKS THE RIGHT [...]

By Associated Press to The Sun.

DETROIT, Mich., Dec. 30.—[...] Tim Hurst pleased 1500 spectat[ors last] night when he gave Curley Sup[ples of] Buffalo the decision over Emil S[anchez] the "Cuban wonder," at the end of [a] 15-round bout before the Cadillac [A. C.] Supples had the better of all the rounds except the seventh, a[nd] Sanchez reeling in the ninth.

Jimmy Reeder of Altoona, Pa., [got the] decision to Frank Stackhouse of [...] in 10 rounds.

"TURKEY POINT" SMITH BEA[TEN]

By Associated Press to The Sun.

CHICAGO, Ill., Dec. 30.—Dan[ny Mc]Mahon of Detroit, was given the [decision] over "Turkey Point" Bill Smith [of Phil]adelphia in a six-round go [at the] Fort Dearborn A. C. last night. "[Chi]cago" Jack Daly and Jack Le[...] of Chicago, light-weights, fou[ght six] hot rounds to a draw.

KNOCKED OUT IN A ROUN[D]

By Associated Press to The Sun.

SYRACUSE, N. Y., Dec. 30.—[...] Jones of Washington put out "Ki[d ...]" of Rochester in the first r[ound of] what was to have been a 10-r[ound bout] in this city last night, with a r[ight] on the jaw.

THE YEAR'S W[ORK]

Financial Hopes Have [Been] Adequately Realized

SAYS BRADSTREET'S [AN]NUAL TRADE REVIE[W]

Orders in for Six Mo[nths] Ahead

By Associated Press to The Sun.

NEW YORK, Dec. 30.—Brad[street's] yearly review of trade today says:

Rarely have sanguine comm[ercial] and financial hope or predictions [had] such adequate realization as the [year] during the year now drawing [to a] close. At least such is the conc[lusion] which can easily be drawn fro[m a] close study of the year's trade r[ecord,] of the usual measurements of b[usiness] development. Linked with an in[dustrial] business and a record-breaking pr[oduc]tion in nearly all lines of business [and] industry, except, perhaps, in [the] products of the agricultural int[erests] there was with it an advance of [prices,] values either of which alone [would] have made the year notable and [com]bined they have served to establis[h the] year as a record-breaker and set [up] new standards by which succe[eding] years will be measured.

Failure statistics point to all [the] above favorable features being re[flect]ed in the smallest number reporte[d in] 17 years past.

In industrial affairs the year [has] been one of enormous expansion; [cer]tainly nothing like the general ad[vance] in wages of industrial employ[es has] been witnessed for many years ar[nd it] has been accomplished with a m[inim]um of friction entitling the year t[o spe]cial mention on this if on no oth[er ac]count.

The close of the year finds ma[nufac]turers' order books filled from th[ree to] six months ahead in nearly all [...]

Notwithstanding smaller expor[ts of] agricultural products during the [calen]dar year, there was such an exp[ansion] in our manufactured exports th[at the] entire export trade of the yea[r will] considerably exceed that of the [fiscal] calendar year which was the h[ighest] recorded and make the year no[tab]le in the line of foreign than [do]mestic trade with a total of exp[orts] little less than $1,281,000,000, an [in]crease which if reached, will mark [a gain] of 3 per cent. over the record to 1898. Imports have naturally [shown] a marked revival and if the ga[in of] the 11 months is maintained for [De]cember a total little below $800,0[00,000] may be expected which would g[ive] total foreign trade well in [excess] of $2,000,000,000, an amount never [before] equalled.

REV. MR. TURNE[R]

TO BECOME PASTOR OF S[T.] ANNE'S EPISCOPAL CHU[RCH] ROXBURY.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

BOSTON, Dec. 30.—Rev. Robe[rt] Turner of Bristol, R. I., has acce[pted a] call to become rector of St. A[nne's] Episcopal church of Roxbury, [succeeding] Rev. W. J. W. Finley, resigned b[ecau]se of ill health. Father Turn[er was] educated in the schools of Prov[idence] and was graduated in the class [of ...] of Brown University.

THE SUN EXTRA!

6 O'CLOCK

GEN. ROBERT'S PLAN

He Will Strike at Bloemfontein First

And Try to Draw Off the Boers From Around Ladysmith—Seizure of American Flour Has Not Excited Great Interest in England

By Associated Press to The Sun.

LONDON, Dec. 30.—The death of the Duke of Westminster, combined with the mourning already prevalent on account of the war losses, left few of the titled families free to celebrate Christmas week with the usual festivities. The Grosvenor family has so many ramifications among the nobility that a large number of other titled people have recently died that one would almost think the country was in mourning. This condition of apathetic paradox is found in the society news columns, which daily announce a long list of forthcoming marriages, the bridegrooms in a majority of cases being soldiers. It is a season of short engagements and sudden deaths. Moreover, only expecting orders to sail for South Africa, the British officers have hurriedly taken the opportunity of "marrying while the iron is hot" and such a quiet marriage is now followed within a few days by a farewell at Southampton. For instance, Major Pole, who took part in the recent defeat of the Khalifa, returned to England married Lord Beaconsfield's daughter and is now on his way to the Cape.

The martial spirit and universal desire to serve the country at the front shows no signs of abating. The second of England's premier duke, the Duke of Norfolk, who is postmaster general and by no means a young man (he was born in 1847) in volunteering for active service, is the latest example of the spirit that pervades all classes. The Duke of Norfolk's position in the cabinet and his tremendous business interests, to say nothing of his power as lay head of the Catholic Church in England, will probably prevent the acceptance of his offer.

The Duke of Connaught, whose ardent requests to be allowed to go to South Africa have been refused, is mentioned as likely to succeed General Roberts in command of the British forces in Ireland.

No little comment has been caused by the war office's tardy recognition of the engineers and artillery. Until then Sir Warren of the engineers was sent out, all the general officers in the field were cavalrymen or infantrymen. The country howled for General Warren's appointment and at last the man who knows South African topography better than any other general, received recognition. Then followed in quick succession, General Roberts, an artilleryman and Generals Kitchener and Cherinside, engineers until the campaign now bids fair to be chiefly directed by the hitherto neglected "Gunners and Sappers."

The impression continues to gain ground that General Buller and his subordinates have been instructed to undertake no important movement until the arrival of General Roberts and that Roberts will amalgamate the divisions under Gatacre, Warren and French, subsequently marching upon Bloemfontein, to capture that place and draw off the Boers from Ladysmith. To accomplish this, it is believed that Kimberley and Mafeking may be sacrificed. Whether General Buller will acquiesce to this arrangement is seriously doubted by many who know him and they are rather inclined to believe he will attempt to emulate General Gough, who under similar circumstances, retrieved reverses in India, while Sir Charles Napier was coming out to supersede him.

The seizures of cargoes of American flour off Delago bay fail to excite much popular interest in England. It is generally looked upon as a fine point of international law that will be amicably settled. So far, no official steps in the matter have been taken, owing to the non-arrival of the necessary papers from Washington. The military and international law authorities are almost unanimous in declaring that Great Britain should not declare foodstuffs contraband of war. The Naval Record, under this head, says, today:

"Fully fifty per cent. of our food comes from America, the colonies and other countries. We have ceased to make any effort to be self-supporting. This condition institutes a danger only bearable because of our confidence in the strength in the British navy and in the friendship and self-interest of the United States. The states may be counted on to fill our larder in both peace and war, but as essential have American supplies become to our safety that we must take no step likely to lead to interruption of the enormous supply of food stuffs. Our enemies on the continent should rejoice if we intercepted the foodstuffs now passing into the Transvaal via Delagoa Bay. A dangerous precedent would thus be created, which would be used against England at the first opportunity."

NOT MARCONI'S.

A representative of the Associated Press learns that the wireless telegraph instruments recently captured from the Boers and described as Marconi's, were not his manufacture. They were made by a well-known German firm, whom Marconi once employed to experiment with plans he afterwards discarded. Marconi declares the instruments captured were not workable. Some feeling has been caused against the young inventor by the first report, the belief spreading that he had broken his agreement to supply only the British during the present war.

GOSSIP OF ROYALTY.

During the recent visit to Windsor of Mr. Conyngham Greene, former British agent at Pretoria, Queen Victoria asked him a lot of questions regarding Mrs. Kruger, her housekeeping and personal characteristics. Mr. Greene entertained Her Majesty with incidents showing the simplicity of Mrs. Kruger's home life and her personal attention to kitchen duties, detailing with special zest upon the excellence of a certain desert which Mrs. Kruger makes.

Rumors recurred this week of Lord Salisbury's retirement at the end of the present parliament and the succession of the Duke of Devonshire to the conservative leadership. These seem founded on nothing stronger than deduction from his age and recent bereavement. From one of the premiers intimates, a representative of the Associated Press learns he has not mentioned any inclination to retire.

The Duke and Duchess of Marlborough entertained a large Christmas house party at Blenheim this week.

ATTACKED MONARCHY

REPUBLICANS OF PORTUGAL ARE ACTIVE.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

PARIS, Dec. 30.—Advices received in diplomatic circles here says the republicans of Portugal have seized on the alleged Anglo-German-Portugal secret treaty as a weapon to attack the monarchy, asserting that it is evidence of the monarchy's weakness and willingness to sell the Portuguese colonies to fill the depleted coffers of the treasury.

The Figaro says: "King Charles probably will lose his crown if he acquiesces to England's proposal, even under menace."

An interesting piece of diplomatic gossip is that the Portuguese minister in London is a great friend of the Prince of Wales, and in order to please him, practically assured Lord Salisbury that British troops would be permitted to pass through Lorenzo Marques. But, it is added, when the matter was brought to the attention of the home government, it repudiated the minister's action.

LAWYER MISSING

Richard Law Crump Has Disappeared

By Associated Press to The Sun.

NEW LONDON, Conn., Dec. 30.—Richard Law Crump, a young lawyer of this city, who has been preparing himself for the work of a librarian at Albany, N. Y., has been missing since October 14th, and foul play is feared. He left Albany for this city on the above date, and was known to arrive at the Grand Central depot, New York. It is said he carried a considerable sum of money. The police of New York are working on the case.

Mr. Crump belongs to one of the oldest families in New London.

ERNEST DEAN

PLEADED NOT GUILTY TO BREAKING AND ENTERING.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

ATTLEBORO, Mass., Dec. 30.—Ernest Dean, who was arrested in Cambridge, Mass., several days ago and turned over to officers here, was arraigned in the district court this morning on a charge of breaking and entering a building at Attleboro Falls and pleaded not guilty. was held under $500 for trial Saturday.

NO ADVANCE IN WAGES.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

WATERVILLE, Dec. 30.—It is announced here that the Maine Central railroad company will not grant a general advance of 10 per cent in wages on January 1, as has been frequently reported. It is admitted that wages in the various departments of the road have been for equal in accordance with the amount of labor performed and next week's wages will be equalized as far as possible. The men in most cases will receive advances, varying in amount.

THE WEATHER

By Associated Press to The Sun.

BOSTON, Dec. 30.—Forecast for Boston and vicinity: fair and continued cold tonight and Sunday; fresh northwest winds.

FUNERALS.

PRINCE—Very impressive services were conducted this afternoon at one o'clock over the remains of the late Mrs. George C. Prince, at her home, 5 Simpson street. Rev. W. A. Bartlett, pastor of the Kirk street church, was the officiating clergyman. The choir of the Kirk street church was in attendance, and several appropriate selections were effectively rendered. The pall bearers were Messrs. George H. Marston, Dr. W. J. Eaton, G. W. Knowlton and Amasa Pratt. The funeral was largely attended by relatives and friends of the deceased. Mr. G. H. Thompson had charge of the arrangements and the funeral was under the direction of Undertaker J. H. Currier. Interment was in Lawrence in the family lot.

Good skating at Long Pond.

LAWTON'S BODY

Placed on Board the Transport Thomas

IMPRESSIVE SERVICE AT MANILA

There Were Floral Many Offerings

By Associated Press to The Sun.

MANILA, Dec. 30.—The funeral of General Lawton who was killed at San Mateo, December 19, was held this morning with impressive ceremonies. The remains were conveyed from the Paco cemetery down to the Lunetta to Pasig and thence to the transport Thomas which sails this afternoon.

As the body was taken from the vault Chaplain Marrin read prayers. The personal staff of the late general was augmented by Colonel Sargeant Simon, Lieutenant Hatekum and Privates Okun and Morhusen. The latter, who were closely connected with Gen. Lawton's recent campaigns, bore the casket from the vault to a six horse caisson waiting at the gate. The funeral procession was composed of the band of the 20th regiment, Gen. Hall and his staff, two troops of the Fourth cavalry, who were with Gen. Lawton at the time of his death, a battery of artillery, a number of clergymen. The caisson, covered with flowers, the personal staff of the general on foot, Gens. Wheeler, Bates, Forsyth, Robbins, Schwan, and Rear Admiral Watson; naval battalion, and Major General Otis and his staff, the foreign consuls in full dress, and the members of the Philippine supreme court. Native delegations from the towns where General Lawton had been stationed, presented wreaths. Women from the same towns waited on Mrs. Lawton yesterday and presented her their condolences and flowers.

Crowds of natives and Americans witnessed the procession, the band playing dirges and the crowds uncovered.

At Pasig the casket was transferred to a hearse. "Taps" was sounded and volleys were fired by Chaplain Rix.

Four enlisted pall bearers will accompany the remains to the United States.

BILLY MAHONEY

WELL KNOWN BOSTON SPORTING MAN PASSES AWAY.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

BOSTON, Mass, Jan. 1.—William J. Mahoney, one of the best known sporting men in the country is dead.

Three weeks ago he was taken with a chill at his store on Lagrange street and he has been confined to his home ever since. Though his friends and relatives were aware that Mr. Mahoney was a sick man, they did not expect that his sickness would terminate fatally.

The deceased was born on North street about 48 years ago and he early evinced a liking for athletics. He became very proficient with the gloves, and in his younger days he sparred with Steve Taylor and Tom Chandler, both of whom died a couple of days ago.

He was the organizer of the Commercial club, the first boxing club opened in this city.

When Sullivan began his career as a boxer, he got acquainted with Mr. Mahoney and from that time the latter was one of the best friends the "big fellow" ever had. The deceased figured as referee and promoter of many sporting events and he was known throughout the country. He refereed the nine-hour wrestling match between Dufur and McMahon in this city and he also refereed the first contest between Sullivan and Mitchell in Madison Square garden, March 14, 1885.

He was always a good friend of young boxers and brought many of them to the front rank. He was very charitable and his money was always ready to help an unfortunate.

He started in the liquor business on North street in the 70s, and although urged by his friends to accept political offices, he did not consent till 1884 when he was elected to the common council from ward six. He was re-elected in 1887, 1888 and 1889 and refused to run for that office any more.

After being in business on North street for twelve years he removed 16 years ago his business to 11 Lagrange street where he had been in business ever since.

He was unmarried, but left three sisters and a brother.

The funeral will take place at two o'clock Monday afternoon from St. Francis de Sales church, Charlestown. The remains will be interred at Holy Cross cemetery, Malden.

HELD A BANQUET

NEW ENGLAND COMMERCIAL TRAVELLERS' ASSOCIATION MEETS.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

BOSTON, Dec. 30.—Good food, stories, fellowship—these were the essentials at the banquet of the New England Commercial Travellers' Association last evening at the Bellevue.

Sixty valiant knights of the sample case sat at meat in the banquet hall, and under the mellow glow of the lights and the clouds from an active battery of puffing cheers listened to the usual pot-pourri of music, story-telling and speech-making. The whole organization, had it been present, would have created a larger meeting place, for it boasts a membership of 825. As it was, but a small number was privileged to attend, the rest being scattered, for this is a busy year.

After dinner, President E. S. H. Estabrook rapped for order, at 8.35, and made a brief address of welcome to members and guests. He spoke a word of appreciation to the organization, stating that over $1000 had been paid out in sickness and orphans of deceased members since its formation 27 years ago.

CHESS TOURNAMENT.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

VIENNA, Dec. 30.—The results of the eighth round of the national masters' chess tournament played in this city yesterday, are herewith appended:

Wolf beat Schwarz, Pogdet defeated Frank, Marczy disposed of Zenkl, while Albin and Rotte, Schlechter and Brody, and Marco and Alapin drew.

The adjourned games from previous rounds resulted as follows:

Alapin beat Schwarz, Marczy beat Albin, Marco defeated Pogdet, and Schlecter and Popiel, and Rotte and Alapin drew.

AMALGAMATED PAPER COMPANY.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

TRENTON, N. J., Dec. 30.—The Amalgamated Paper company filed a certificate today with the secretary of state setting out that its entire capital stock of $75,000,000 has been paid in cash. The certificate was signed by Henry H. Rogers, vice president and Wm. G. Rockefeller, secretary.

BOER TRIUMPHS

(Continued.)

Gen. Meyer has recovered and returned to the front.

NEW AID TO BOERS.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

LONDON, Dec. 30.—The Cape Town correspondent of the Daily News says: "A leading resident of Vreyburg who was released by the Boers saw 2 000 Colonials from Griqualand west. He says Colonial faces are to be seen everywhere in the Boer ranks."

ORDER FOR 15,000 BELTS.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

WORCESTER, Mass., Dec. 30.—Thos. C. Orndorff, manufacturer of cartridge belts in this city, received an order from the British government yesterday for 15,000 double-bandoleric cartridge belts. It is said that the order is a rush one and the cartridge belts will be shipped to the Transvaal in lots of several thousand each as soon as manufactured.

BULLER'S ATTITIDE.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

LONDON, Dec. 30.—The latest special despatches from Chieveley Camp hint darkly at some important movement as imminent. This is interpreted with some misgivings to mean that General Buller contemplates a renewal of his attempt to relieve Ladysmith.

It is reported by the same dispatches that the Boers have now returned to the north bank of the Tugela river, being afraid that the swollen river may bar their retreat. They are also moving their langers nearer Ladysmith probably with the intention of putting further pressure on the garrison, which now seems to be suffering pretty heavily from the bombardment.

ATTACKED BOER FORT

BRITISH LOST 100 KILLED AND WOUNDED.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

LORENZO MARQUES, Friday, Dec. 29.—Advices received here from Pretoria, under date of Wednesday, December 27, say that no official dispatch from Mafeking announces that in the sortie which the British made from that place December 25, attacking one of the Boer forts with cannon, maxims and an armored train, the British lost 100 men killed and wounded, while the Boers only lost two men killed and seven wounded.

The dispatch adds that Captains Kirkwood and Wrenfell were captured by Boer scouts near Colesso and were being sent to Pretoria.

Ten unloaded shells inscribed "The Season's Greetings" have been fired at Ladysmith.

Ten South African medical students from Edinburg have arrived at Pretoria from Delagoa bay with five tons of medical stores.

A dispatch from the Boer camp at the Modder River, dated Thursday, December 28, reports an artillery duel lasting an hour. On December 27, a British reconnoitering party made a sortie but did not come within the Boer range. The British, December 22, commenced a steady bombardment of the Boer position.

50,000 MEN

PROMISED THE BOERS FROM CHICAGO.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

CHICAGO, Dec. 30.—A special from Cincinnati, O., says:

At a meeting of the Transvaal sympathizers, held last night, a toast to "The United States of South Africa" was proposed by the chairman, who mentioned the members of the future government, Natal, Cape Colony, Orange Free State, Transvaal and Swaziland. Mr. Von Altrow, a relative of President Kruger, made a speech, in the course of which he said:

"We have now 400 Americans well drilled in Pretoria, with 2600 more on the way. Funds are coming from all parts of this broad land. We may need 50,000 men, but we are satisfied that we can have them on time, even with the British blockade."

Contributions to the amount of several thousand dollars were made in secret session.

COUNSUL HAY

UNITED STATES CONSUL AT PRETORIA LEAVES LONDON.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

LONDON, Dec. 30.—Mr. Adelbert S. Hay, the new United States consul at Pretoria, left Waterloo railroad station here this morning for Southampton, on his way to Cape Town. Mr. Hay is charged with many commissions from relatives and friends of the British prisoners at Pretoria.

The same train took Lord Edward Stanley, one of the junior lords of the treasury, and eldest son of Earl Derby, formerly governor-general of Canada. Lord Stanley has been appointed to a position of General Roberts' staff.

Sir William Stokes, surgeon-in-ordinary to Queen Victoria in Ireland and surgeon to the Meath hospital, Dublin, and a number of hospital nurses, also left London for Southampton with Mr. Hay and Lord Stanley.

BOERS KILLED

11 OF THEM FALL VICTIMS TO NAVAL GUNS.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

LONDON, Dec. 30.—The reported sortie from Ladysmith resulting in the capture of a Boers position, is not confirmed and apparently is only a Kaffir story. A Chieveley dispatch, dated Friday, Dec. 29, makes no mention of it. The message shows renewed activity on the part of the British, apparently preparatory to some action. The Boer position eastward of the Tugela was thoroughly reconnoitered December 28, without drawing the enemy.

The naval guns engage in daily practice and it is said on good authority that 30 or 40 Boers have been killed by the firing during two days.

A dispatch from Durban predicts that Ladysmith will be relieved on or about January 7. While there is nothing to bear out this forecast, there is some disposition to believe Gen. Buller is preparing for another attempt to advance, this time an attack on the Boer position on Inhlawe mountain.

Advices from Cape Town say there is a great dissatisfaction there at the action of the British insurance companies, which are retarding volunteering by making policy holders pay their war risk premiums, while the agencies of the leading American companies allow perfect freedom for naval and military service.

The government has accepted 125 Ceylon volunteers, mostly planters and has also accepted the offers of Indian princes to supply horses.

The non-arrival of the Majestic, due at Cape Town Thursday, is causing some surprise among the public, who expected she would maintain her usual trans-Atlantic speed. Shipping circles, however, explain that this is due to the conditions in so far being concerned, the necessity of commandeering her supply and of traversing her usual route at speed.

BY ARBITRATION

Mill Labor Differences Will be Settled

A PERMANENT ARBITRATION BOARD

May Soon be Appointed in Chicago

By Associated Press to The Sun.

CHICAGO, Dec. 30—A permanent arbitration board to settle differences between labor unions and contractors and the averting of the chances of a labor war, is practically assured. At the meetings of the trades council and the building trade contractors council yesterday, the report of the joint conference committee representing the two organizations was accepted. The principal recommendation of the conference committee was the establishment of a permanent arbitration board. This board will consist of 11 members and adjudicate all difficulties that may arise. Plans for the formation of this board as recommended by this committee, show a few changes from the original statement presented by Martin B. Madden and accepted on last Tuesday by the committee. The principal change was the recommendation that all difficulties must be settled within one day. This was made at the request of the building trades council delegates, in order that contractors might not be given an opportunity to complete jobs while trouble that had arisen during their creation was being settled by the arbitration board. Another change made at the request of the laboring men was the insertion of a clause providing that the eleventh man should not be a judge. The acceptance of the plan settles the question of sympathetic strikes, as if all troubles are arbitrated there will be no necessity for any kind of a strike, except as a last resort.

DRACUT NEWS

Samuel Teal, who has been confined to his home on Cottage street for five weeks, with a severe attack of erysipelas, returned to work in the weave room of Collins mills Monday morning.

The American woolen company has leased the Swain house on Upland street at the Navy Yard of J. H. Ames. It is reported that it is the intention of the mill company to sub-let it to the Greek and Armenian employes of Collins mills. The introduction of these nationalities by the company has given rise to a great deal of discussion on the part of residents of the Navy Yard, who are opposed to their coming here.

Joseph F. Myers, who has been employed in the weave room of Collins mills for six months, has gone to visit his parents in Winooski, Vt.

Arthur Nolen of Primrose hill, who had his back badly strained last week, is much improved.

Several artesian wells have been sunk in the Varnum meadows near Long pond for the purpose of supplying the people of Centralville with pure water. This work is being done at the expense of the state, and is in charge of Freeman W. Collin, contractor of Boston. Mr. Collin has started men at work digging the trench in which he intends to lay the pipes to connect the wells with the reservoir on the old ball field at Collinsville.

Michael Bilck of the U. S. marine corps at Charlestown navy yard, has been visiting friends in town during the past week. Michael is a veteran of the Spanish-American war, having served throughout the Santiago campaign in the Springfield company of the Second Massachusetts regiment, participating in the battle of San Juan hill. He was promoted for conspicuous bravery in this battle. He was wounded by a mauser bullet in the knee and was confined to a hospital for three months. Michael expects to be assigned to duty on one of the battleships which will soon be placed in commission.

WHITE'S TANNERY

WILL REOPEN ON TUESDAY—ITS GREAT SUCCESS.

White's tannery plant in Belvidere has been shut down the greater part of this week, and will not be started up until Tuesday morning. An account of stock is being taken and some new machines are being put in. There is a big boom in leather, especially in box calf, of which a specialty is made by the Whites, and when the works start up Tuesday it will be with facilities for greatly increasing the output. So great is the reputation of White's plant for turning out a first-class article of leather, the American Hide and Leather Co., which controls the plant along with many others, intends to keep it running all the time whether or not business warrants keeping its other plants in operation.

HARVARD'S OFFER.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

NEW HAVEN, Conn., Dec. 30.—President Hadley of Yale announced today that in the name of Harvard university the aid of the Boston Symphony orchestra has been offered to Yale university for its bi-centennial celebration in October, 1901. This offer was gratefully accepted by Yale.

FATALLY INJURED

EXPLOSION OF DYNAMITE INJURED SEVERAL ITALIANS.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

PITTSBURG, Pa., Dec. 30.—By an explosion of dynamite in the east end today, two Italians were fatally injured and several others slightly hurt. The fatally injured were Peter Antonio and Ambrose Donnell. The men were engaged at blasting in a cut at Homewood avenue and attempted to thaw out some frozen dynamite by placing it on a hot stove and the explosion was the result.

GYMNASIUM DIRECTORS

By Associated Press to The Sun.

NEW HAVEN, Conn., Dec. 30.—The final session of the third annual convention of college gymnasium directors was held today in this city.

Officers for the ensuing year were elected as follows:

President, Dr. W. G. Anderson, Yale University.

Vice president, Dr. A. T. MacKenzie, McGill university, Montreal.

Secretary and treasurer, Dr. W. S. Sayre, Columbia university.

Members of the council, Dr. C. W. Miller, University of Pennsylvania, and Dr. Paul C. Phillips, Amherst.

The next meeting will be held in New York, in December, 1900.

A special committee was appointed consisting of President Anderson, Dr. MacKenzie and Dr. Phillips, to consider the question of the relations of gymnasia and athletics and report to the next meeting. Another committee was appointed to consider the treatment of some of the frequent circulatory troubles the students suffer from, "weak heart, dizziness and fainting." The committee is Dr. Luther W. Sawyer of Yale, Captain Miller of the University of Pennsylvania, and Dr. W. S. Sayre, of Columbia.

RUN ON A BANK

The Lynn Five Cent Savings Bank

BESIEGED BY ITS DEPOSITORS

On Account of Complication With Globe Bank

By Associated Press to The Sun.

LYNN, Mass., Dec. 30.—A run on the Lynn Five Cents Savings bank began this morning, because of rumors that the bank is involved deeply in the failure of the Globe National bank of Boston. The Five Cents bank held 38 shares of the Globe stock. Its surplus is all of a million dollars, and the bank officials, this morning, state that they can amply meet all demands that may be made on them today. A crowd of depositors appeared as soon as the doors were opened and police officers were summoned to preserve order.

HOUGH GUILTY

OF MURDER IN SECOND DEGREE.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

MIDDLETOWN, Conn., Dec. 30.—The jury in the case of Joseph A. Hough, who has been on trial for the past two weeks here on a charge alleging the murder of Harry Chadwick at Haddam, returned a verdict shortly after 1 o'clock yesterday afternoon after deliberations lasting four and a half hours. Hough was found guilty of murder in the second degree. Judge Wheeler sentenced the prisoner to state prison for life. Attorney Culver, the senior counsel for Hough, gave notice that he would file a motion for arrest of judgment and Judge Wheeler will hold a special session of court Saturday, Jan. 6, to hear Attorney Culver's reasons.

BOY INJURED

IN THE LAWRENCE MILLS THIS MORNING.

The ambulance was summoned to the Lawrence mills this morning and removed a boy named Arthur Labour, living at 30 Ward street, to the corporation hospital. He had his right hand caught in a pulley in the mule room. He was not badly injured.

MIDDLESEX MILLS

Employes Get 10 Per Cent Increase

BEGINNING WITH THE NEW YEAR

Over 750 Operatives are Benefited

At last the increase in wages comes to the operatives of the Middlesex Woolen mills, for yesterday Agent Saunders notified the overseer that a new schedule of wages including a 10 per cent. increase will go into effect on Jan. 1, 1900.

That the increase only affects 150 of the 800 operatives is due to the fact that 50 of those who hold official, or semi-official positions were not cut down when the schedule of prices was reduced in 1893, and have been drawing their former wages since that time.

The increase will give to the operatives of these mills higher wages than have ever before been paid by this corporation.

THREE INJURED

IN COLLISION WITH SWITCH ENGINE AND STREET CAR.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

CHICAGO, Dec. 30.—A switch engine of the eastern Illinois road ran into a street car here today, hurling the car fifty feet and injuring three passengers. The conductor, motorman and two passengers escaped serious injury by jumping. The injuries of an unknown colored man who was a passenger, may prove fatal.

GOLD AND SILVER.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 30.—The preliminary estimate of the production of gold and silver in the United States during the calendar year 1899, made by Mr. Roberts, the director of the mint, shows a total gold production of $73,424,170, an increase over the production of last year of $8,961,170. The production of silver during the year is estimated at $71,123,206, an increase during the year of $3,739,611.

Coal that will burn is the kind sold by W. E. Livingston, 16 Thorndike Street. Promptly and carefully delivered.

New Year's Presents

Always some one forgotten on Christmas that can be remembered at New Year's with a gift. Now is the time to buy slippers as we have marked down all our lines to close them out. A few sample prices.

$1.19 for the $1.50 kind.
98c. for the $1.25 grade.
69c. for the dollar ones.
49c. for those tha

Others in like proportion.

Snow is sure to come before long. Be of rubbers ready. We have them in all high overshoe and long legged rubber bo

These are able to un

BERTRAND, The Fashionable Tai MIDDLE STREET

THE NEW SHE

BURDANK & COURTNEY,

INVESTMENT MONDS

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J. F. ROGERS, UNDERTAKER.
OFFICE—816 Central Street.
RESIDENCE—29 Cedar Street.
Telephone connection. Hacks furnished for all occasions.

For a Christmas Present BUY A "SINGER"

Singer Machines last longest. The lightest running and simplest vibrator in the world.

We have only one grade and that is acknowledged throughout the world as the BEST. Elegant woodwork for the holidays. Maple, Oak, Mahogany and Walnut. Sold on liberal instalments or a low price for cash.

Needles and parts for all makes. Lowell office, 175 Middlesex street.

STOCKS AND BONDS

E. C. Stanwood & Co.
BANKERS,
121 Devonshire St.
BOSTON, MASS.
Investment Bonds.
LISTS SENT ON APPLICATION.

Grandmothers WANT Gold Spectacles FOR CHRISTMAS

and the proper lenses will be fitted after the holidays by

Optician Rogers
138 Merrimack St.
Opposite R. R. Ban

A NEW YEAR GI

Is something very PLEASANT TO RECEIVE.

We have a very fine line of RINGS, CHAINS, and NOVELTIES to sell you at very low prices.

Don't forget that we repair all kinds of Watches and Jewelry in the best possible shape.

J. A. Logault & Co.
RELIABLE JEWELERS.
70 Central St., cor. Prescott

Decorated Platters

We have just received another lot of those Handsome Decorated Platters which we are offering at the old price,

19c. EACH.

or one given with one pound of our 60c. Tea.

O'BRIEN BROS.
Tea Dealers,
FISKE BUILDING.
227 Central Street. Tel. Con

Paine's Celery Compound - - 64c
Vinol - - - - - - - - - - 73c
1 Doz. Full Weight Rochelle Powders 17c
CARTER & SHERBURN'S
Low Priced Drug Store, Cor. Merrimack and Bridge Sts.

DR. DONEHUE

ALEXANDER ROUNTREE, FLOOR DIRECTOR, COURT MIDDLESEX, F. OF A. ANNIVERSARY BALL.

THE ANNUAL BALL

Of Court Midlesex Foresters of America

HAPPY GATHERING IN ASSOCIATE HALL

A Fine Concert Preceded the Dance

Several hundred couples joined in the mirth and joyous dance that marked the observance of the sixteenth anniversary of Court Middlesex, No. 23, F. of A., in Associate hall last night.

The occasion was an unqualified success and the entertainment offered the happy guests embraced an excellent concert, a grand march and dancing till early this morning. The pretty dance hall was handsomely decked. Colored streamers in red, green and pink were [illegible] great chandelier [illegible] gallery rail. [illegible] Potted [illegible] hung with [illegible] worked in [illegible] The [illegible] 8 o'clock [illegible] the Cadet [illegible] children [illegible] hornpipe and the [illegible] Me Again," was ren[illegible] Annie Bourasse. [illegible] danced the Spanish [illegible] her usual proficient manner. [illegible] Hattie Fox was heard in a [illegible] reading. Miss Loretta Rourk [illegible] an opportunity to display the range of her beautiful voice in the solo "Where the Sweet Magnolias Bloom." There was also a cornet solo by Mr. Buckley of the orchestra, vocal solo by James Breen and a closing selection by the orchestra. The grand march was led by Floor Director Alexander E. Rountree and Mrs. Rountree, the latter being dressed in a beautiful gown of red with black trimmings. They were followed by the general manager, Patrick O'Leary and Mrs. O'Leary, who wore a very becoming gown of white; Assistant Floor Director John Magee, and Miss Mary Noonan, the latter wearing a gown of a delicate shade of green and white trimmings. About fifty couples took part in the march which was the plain military movement. The men were all in evening dress and the ladies were elegantly gowned. At midnight there was an intermission for supper which was served in the banquet hall by Caterer Miller.

The officers were:

General manager, Patrick O'Leary, C. R.; assistant general manager, James J. Keenan; Floor marshal, Alexander Rountree; assistant, John J. Magee; chief aid, Frank J. Campbell; aids, Hugh J. Leonard, Michael Maher, Henry Reynolds, Thomas Kelleher, Charles McQuade, Michael Rourke, Jeremiah Gray, James Leahy, John C. Moore, Thomas Magee, Thomas Quinn, Peter Keenan, John J. Slack, John J. Gallagher, George Richards, Charles Young, William Cullen, John H. Fahey.

The souvenir presented those who at-

Reception committee—Patrick F. Kennedy, chairman; James Finnegan, John Gilly, John McGovern, Peter O'Neil, John Smith, Joseph J. Johnson, Peter Boland, John Burns, Hugh Gallagher, Frank Richards, Arthur Johnson, Thomas Burns, Joseph Whelen, Charles Conners, John W. Downing, William H. Harrigan, John D. Finnegan, John Quirk, Joseph Rock, John McGrath, Daniel Rock, William Leahy, Michael Connors, John McManimon; William J. Johnson, treasurer; Edward J. McGann, secretary.

tended was a very neat New Year's greeting.

Mr. Roscoe L. Chase and wife with their daughter Marion of North Adams are spending the holidays at the home of Dr. J. J. Colton in Varnum avenue.

FINE PRESENT

GIVEN BY MRS. BAKER EDDY TO HER SON.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

LEADS, S. D., Dec. 30.—Mrs. Baker Eddy, of Concord, N. H., the Christian Scientist, has given her son, George Glover, of this city, a Christmas present consisting of a check for $10,000 and a [illegible] to a $15,000 dwelling house, [illegible] the most palatial in the Black [illegible]

Neither is a good [illegible] like Hood's Sarsaparilla, [illegible] system, cures catarrh, rheumatism and all stomach troubles, and ward[illegible] sickness. All who are weak and [illegible] by the effects of illness or overwork find in its use appetite, strength and health.

Hood's Sarsaparilla Never Disappoints

[illegible]ORIA. [illegible] You Have Always Bought

BIG LINER ASHORE

German Vessel Aground off Kent Coast

A FEARFUL SEA WAS RAGING

Vessel Believed to be a Hamburg Liner

By Associated Press to The Sun.

LONDON, Dec. 30.—A large German mail steamer, whose name has not yet been ascertained, has gone aground during a terrific gale in East bay, about a quarter of a mile off Dungeness, the southern extremity of Kent. Heavy seas are breaking over the vessel and the life boats are unable to reach her. Fears are entertained for the safety of the passengers.

It is believed the steamer is one of the Hamburg-American line.

It is reported that the position of the liner is very serious. Tugs and lifeboats were urgently requisitioned from Dover and Folkestone, but they had the utmost difficulty in getting off, owing to the gale.

The signals of distress were observed from the Sandhead lightship.

THE VESSEL IDENTIFIED.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

LONDON, Dec. 30.—The Hamburg and South American liner Pelotas, from Satnos for Rotterdam, having 629 passengers on board, struck on the sands on the east side of Dungeness, the southern extremity of Kent, soon after midnight, in the midst of a terrific gale, which raged all around the coast. The storm was the worst of the winter and seas immediately began breaking over the steamer. For a time it appeared as though no one on board could be saved. The Dungeness coast guards, seeing the Pelotas' signal of distress made desperate and for a long time unsuccessful efforts to launch the lifeboat in the heavy surf beating on the shore. Finally, the coast guardsmen succeeded in reaching the steamer. They remained alongside the steamer all night and eventually put the rocket apparatus in operation. During the whole time the wind blew with hurricane force, accompanied by heavy rain and hail.

The passengers had a terrifying experience. When day broke, the gale slightly moderated, enabling the lifeboats to transfer the passengers, who were safely landed at New Romney.

MRS. MORRISON DEAD.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

NEW YORK, Dec. 30.—Mrs. Albert Morrison, the wife of the professor of languages, who was shot by her husband early yesterday morning, died today from the effects of the wound. Morrison mistook his wife for a burglar.

Good skating at Long Pond.

BIG BEEF TRAIN.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

CHICAGO, Dec. 30.—A train of twenty-eight cars loaded with corned beef will leave Hammond, Ind., Sunday night, bound for the British soldiers in South Africa. It is said that other large orders from the same source will soon be filled.

Rev. and Mrs. A. E. Wilson of the Paige street Baptist church will be at home to the members and friends of the church on New Year's Day from 3 to 5 in the afternoon and from 7.30 to 10 in the evening.

Nashua paper:

The Massachusetts Socialists are coming up into New Hampshire, to make an effort to capture the state. They are to begin in Manchester, of course. Another reason why Brother Putney couldn't go to Paris, even if he is "chose"

FREE SAMPLE

consisting of two bottles containing enough of

"OUR FAVORITE" GOLD ENAMEL Washable

to gild a small frame, also a brush to apply it with, to any one including a 2 cent stamp for postage. As brilliant and smooth as Goldleaf. Ready for use. A child can apply it. Shows no brushmarks. Can be washed without tarnishing. Gilds everything, such as frames, chairs, [illegible] articles, chandeliers, baskets, etc. Also made in ALUMINUM SILVER. When not sold by dealers, will send full size box [illegible] express paid. Address

[illegible]ENDORFER BROS., Dept. 1, 40 Park Pl., N. Y.

TWO MEN KILLED

By a Big Explosion of Dynamite

BUCKET OF THE EXPLOSIVE IGNITED

The Effect on Bodies Was Terrible

By Associated Press to The Sun.

LOCKHAVEN, Pa., Dec. 30.—Grant Bathurst, assistant postmaster at Bote was killed and two other persons were injured today by an explosion of dynamite in the weighmaster's office of the Bellefonte Limestone capital at Salona. One of the men in the office raked the fire in the stove with a poker and while it was still hot hung the poker on a nail. It slipped and fell into a bucket filled with dynamite and fuses and a terrible explosion followed. The building was blown to pieces. Bathurst had an arm and leg torn from his body and two other men were injured.

CRISP GOSSIP

Last night I had occasion to go by two of the local theatres and I noticed to my astonishment that there were no boys hanging around the entrances of either theatre. It must be that the weather is getting too cold for them to stay out, for during the warmer nights it is all one could do to poke his way through the throng of youths that were around the theatres. These boys are getting to be a common nuisance. They will stay around to go up to a man and ask him for two or three cents so as to get in to the show. The policemen on the theatre beats should either arrest these boys or keep them from bothering people who chance to pass that way.

Yesterday afternoon I saw a crowd of youngsters skating in the inlet of the Merrimack river at the foot of the First street oval. The little harbor seemed to be frozen quite hard but the space was very small and a youth who was venturesome might think that the ice out on the river would hold him. If he did go out on the river, the chances are that he would break through the ice, for it is very thin outside of this particular sheltered nook. We have had one skating fatality this winter and we do not want another one if it is possible to avoid it.

Some of the clerks had curious experiences with Christmas shoppers last week. On Saturday evening two women entered a Central street furnishing goods house and one of them asked a clerk if he had any numbered handkerchiefs for gentlemen. The clerk who had been in the business for some time, was at sea to understand what was wanted, but in reply to his queries the woman insisted that she wanted "numbered" handkerchiefs. The clerk finally asked her if she saw any and she promptly pointed to an initial handkerchief. He pulled out the box containing them and the customer said she would take "numbers H and M." She got what she wanted.

I understand that a certain local clothing house advertises that for a very small price it will enable one of its customers to become a "howling swell," but does not explain what the customer will howl about.

Black eyes are beautiful only when given by nature. The other kind is most numerous, however.

Lowell gets a new year and a new city government in one day next Monday.

This is the week for casting up old accounts and making good resolutions to fit the new year.

The game of basket ball is becoming very popular with the ladies in Lowell and they have their favorites and root for them as well as the men. The game at Associate hall Christmas night between the Burkes and the P. A. C.'s was attended by no less than 500 ladies. Their presence will help the game along in Lowell tremendously. Wherever the ladies are, the young men are sure to be. What do you say, fellows?

Speaking of women reminds me of a conversation I had with a bachelor friend of mine at a local playhouse the other night. We were talking about women and marriage, when he made a remark which really impressed me because of its truthfulness, though the women will not admit it. He said that when a woman goes gunning for a husband, she arms herself with a curling iron and a box of smokeless powder.

Have you ever found that it is much easier to borrow money than to pay it back?

At the beginning of the civil war, Fr. Malone, who died in New York yesterday, hoisted a Union flag on his church spire, where it remained until it was taken down in order that it might be carried to the front. It was replaced by another flag which the citizens presented. All through the war he labored arduously in behalf of his country, contributing generously both in money and exertion. At the close of the war he made a tour of the south in company with the Rev. Thomas Farrell.

A young man in Belvidere, who has been a devoted admirer of an equally well known and popular young lady who is possessed of considerable ability as a vocalist, felt that he should make her more than one Christmas present. The extra gift was in the form of sheet music, and in fancy letters on the title page appeared the words, "I'd leave my happy home for you." The music was unrolled and as quickly rolled up again, the second process being accompanied by a request to carry the music back and get something else. The young man's friends are jollying him along a bit just now.

All who propose to swear off smoking with the beginning of the year 1900 will please leave their cigars—if they be good ones—at his office. We will see to it that the vile things are burned up as speedily as possible.

LOST BY FIRE

Two Big Buildings Destroyed In Chicago

By Associated Press to The Sun.

CHICAGO, Dec. 30.—Two seven-story buildings at Monroe and Franklin streets were totally destroyed by fire early this morning. The flames first burned the building occupied by Edward Stanwood & Co., wholesale shoes; Wooley & Co., woolens; Schwartz & Kiln, clothiers, and two other firms, entailing a loss of about $[illegible]. One fireman was hurt by a falling wall. The flames communicated to an adjoining building occupied by the J. E. Butler paper company. This building was also destroyed with a loss of about $175,000.

SIX MONTHS TREATMENT FOR ONE DOLLAR

Dr. Burkhart's Vegetable Compound.

IN TABLET FORM—PLEASANT TO TAKE.

For one dollar your health can be restored. To hesitate may prove the folly of your life. When your body is drained of its vitality it will be too late. I offer you the cup of life. Quaff it. Where my great remedy fails to cure the money is refunded. You can ask no more.

Dr. Burkhart's Vegetable Compound is a sovereign remedy for Rheumatism, Headache, Colds, Erysipelas, Scrofula and Constipation. I use it myself and also in my family.

Rev. W. Bugsby, Hammersville, Ohio.

For sale by all druggists. Thirty days' treatment for 25c.; seventy days' treatment 50c.; Six months' treatment, $1.00. Ninety trial treatment free.

DR. W. S. BURKHART, Cincinnati, O.

AFTER 20 YEARS

Hamilton Gormlery Returns Home Wealthy.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

BRIDGEPORT, Conn., Dec. 30.—More than 20 years ago Hamilton Gormerly, then a lad of 18, disappeared from his mother's home in this city as completely as if the ground had opened and swallowed him. All efforts to locate him proved fruitless, and his mother, whose favorite boy he was, nearly lost her reason worrying over his continued absence. As time went on and nothing was heard from him his family, with the exception of his mother, became reconciled, believing him dead. She alone refused to abandon hope.

About six years ago, however, what appeared to be reliable information was received by his parents, telling of his death in a Cleveland, O., hospital. There was no doubt about his passing away, and the record of his death still exists.

An effort to bring the corpse here disclosed that the remains after being dissected were interred in an unknown grave in potters field.

About a week before Christmas Chief Clerk John C. Gormerly of the local postoffice received a letter from San Antonio, Texas. It was from his brother, Hamilton.

There was no doubt of the writer's identity, for he referred to family matters no stranger could possibly know.

Yesterday the brother, for whose departed soul so many masses have been said, arrived here and embraced his aged mother, who was so overcome that she fainted twice.

Mr. Gormerly is now a wealthy ranch owner in southern Texas. He is married and the father of five children.

He presented his mother a check for $[illegible] and is determined she shall pass the remainder of her days with him in the Lone Star state.

The long absent son's only excuse for not communicating with his relatives is that he met a comrade from here while in the regular army, who told him his family had gone west. He told his mother that he was worth $125,000 and that he ran away from home to join the regulars.

THE SIX DAY RACE

Dubois Still Leads the Fliers

By Associated Press to The Sun.

NEW BEDFORD, Dec. 30.—Eight hours more of steady riding was done by the contestants in the six-day bicycle race at Adelphia track in this city yesterday. Early in the afternoon there was some lively riding, but the journey is a long one and the riders are somewhat weary, consequently, slow riding followed the spurts.

John Dubois maintained his lead up to 6 o'clock, but McLean and Munroe gave him some hard work. Dubois is quite lame and feeble on his feet and he found it a difficult task to walk to the track. When he was perched on his wheel he soon limbered up. Munroe and McLean started early to gain distance on Dubois, and for a few miles the fight was against the leader. Dubois finally picked them up, without loss.

Laurex took a spill during the afternoon, and Downey gained several laps on him. The others went faster and increased their lead over the Belgian by half a mile, and also put Downey behind them a lap. The riders were increasing their scores at the rate of 16 miles an hour during the greater part of the time. There was no relative change in the positions of the riders during the evening.

The score at the end of the fifth day's riding was as follows:

Dubois 651 14, Munroe 651 7, McLean 651 4, Laurex 647 8, Downey 632 3, McDaniels 477 3.

COMPLIMENTARY PARTY

GIVEN BY BURKE TEMPERANCE INSTITUTE.

The Burke Temperance Institute gave a complimentary party to its members and friends last evening. The affair was held in the commodious hall of the society on Middle street and was attended by a large crowd and every one enjoyed a most pleasureable evening. Atwood's orchestra furnished music during the evening and dancing was enjoyed until nearly midnight.

Thomas Flynn was general manager while John Connors was his assistant; floor director, Joseph Murphy; assistant floor director, John Shea; chief aid, Joseph Harrigan; aids, Charles Gallagher, John Smith, Henry McCarty, Fred Smith, Joseph Shea, Allie Shannon, John Devine, Frank Clark; reception committee, chairman Lawrence Forby. The other members of the reception committee were Edward Farrell, Fred Welch, Frank Corrigan, George Tyrrell, Dan Keegan, William Gleason, Thomas Welch and John Keegan.

ALLAN LINE.

Portland to Liverpool.

Parisian Jan. 6. Numidian, Jan. 17. Californian, Jan. 20.

First Cabin, $50.00 and upwards. Second Cabin, $35.00; Return, $66.50. Steerage, $23.50; Prepaid, $24.00.

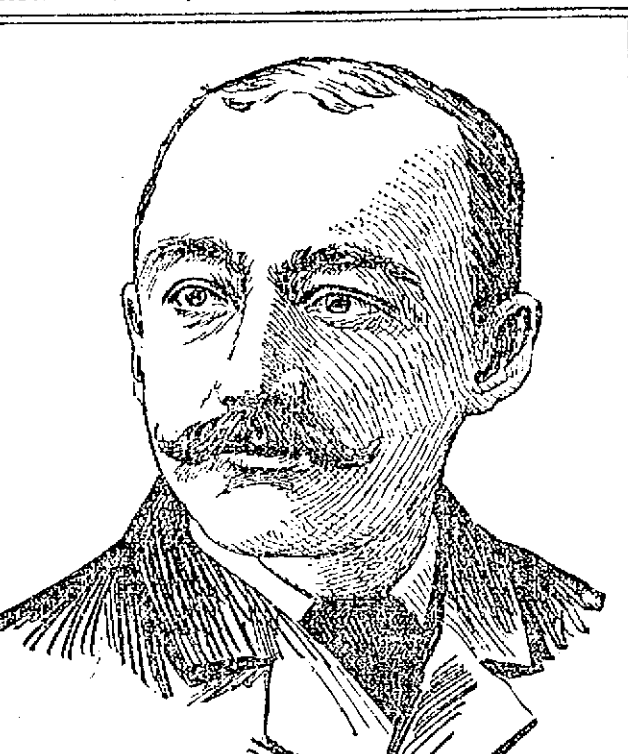
Steamers sail from Portland on arrival of B. and M. train leaving Boston 9 a. m. Second Cabin and Steerage passengers allowed free rail ticket Boston to Portland.

For descriptive circulars, plans of steamers and other information, apply to H. & A. Allan, 92 State street, Boston, Mass., or

Dennis Murphy, 18 Appleton St.

CONSUMPTION

To the Editor—Please inform your readers that I have a positive remedy for the above named disease. By its timely use thousands of hopeless cases have been permanently cured. I shall be glad to send two bottles of my remedy free to any of your readers who have consumption if they will send me their express and post office address. Respectfully, T. A. Slocum, M. C., No. 183 Pearl Street, New York.



PAUL BUTLER, Elected Chairman of the Massachusetts Sportsman's Club.

BUTLER ELECTED

Pres. of the Massachusetts Sportsmen's Association

COL. PARKER AND COL. AMES HONORED

Annual Meeting Held in Boston Yesterday

By Associated Press to The Sun.

BOSTON, Dec. 30.—The annual meeting of the Massachusetts Sportsmen's association was held at Young's hotel yesterday morning. Routine business was transacted and the following named officers for the ensuing year were elected: Paul Butler, president; Charles W. Dimick, vice president and general manager; Francis B. Crowninshield, secretary and treasurer; executive committee, the above named and Col. Percy Parker, E. J. Wardwell, Captain Samuel D. Parker, Col. Butler Ames.

Beecham's pills for constipation 10¢ and 25¢. Get the book at your druggist's and go by it.

Annual sales more than 6,000,000 boxes.

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LADIES Who Have Used Them Recommend as the BEST DR. KING'S Star Crown Brand PENNYROYAL PILLS.

Immediate relief, no danger, no pain. Used for years by leading specialists. Hundreds of testimonials. A trial will convince you of their intrinsic value in case of suppression. Feed ten cents for sample and book. All Druggists or by mail $1.00 box.

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BIDWELL OR FOUR BROS.'

Axle Grease

10 Cents a Box. 3 Boxes for 25 cents.

Lubriteen 20c. a Can.

C. B. COBURN & CO., 63 Market Street.

Hosiery, Underwear, Gloves

Great Special Offer for This Week at

J. DRAIN'S, 83 to 89 Gorham St.

125 doz. Men's Heavy Half Hose, regular 25c. kind, bought by us some time ago at less than half the real value. Thursday morning we will offer these goods at a special sale for only 12 1-2c., exactly half price.

Also 75 doz. Men's Heavy Shaker Socks, regular 38c. and 25c. kind, and can't be bought today at wholesale for less than $2.50 and $3.50 doz. This lot we bought also same time and same place and same low price. Therefore we will offer the entire lot at only 15c., pair, or $1.75 doz.

75 doz. Men's Heavy Lined Gloves, were 50c., for this sale 35c. Men's Woolen Gloves were 50c., for this sale 35c.

Ladies' Double Mittens 15c. Children's Double Mittens 10c. and 15c. 25 White Mittens, soiled, 10c.

150 doz. Ladies' Linen Collars, all styles, former price 15c., for this week only 5c. each.

All our Ladies' Woolen Waists, all styles, all colors, and very stylish, but must be sold in our Millinery Department. We will give some great values in nice Trimmed Hats, at just one-half price. Feathers in endless variety at one-half less than any other store in Lowell.

Come to us for Underwear. We have all kinds for Men, Women, Boys', Girls' and Children's and our pricesare right on everything.

J. DRAIN, 83 to 89 Gorham St.

The Thompson Hardware Company

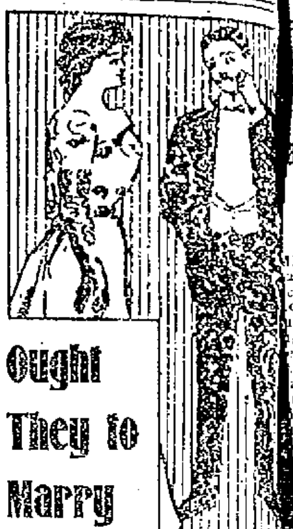
$1.49. IDEAL FOOD CUTTERS. $1.49

Mince Pies MADE With Half The Labor

Cuts everything in food, Meat, Vegetables, Fruits, Mince Meat.

$1.49. $1.49

The Thompson Hardware Company



Ought They to Marry

And bring children into the world [illegible] fer from an inherited blood taint? [illegible] do not realize that foul blood [illegible] under a fair skin, and that the fire [illegible] ering in the blood of the parent [illegible] break into flame in the flesh of the [illegible] Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery puts out the smoldering fires of [illegible] It cleanses the blood from disease [illegible] strengthens the weak lungs, heals [illegible] diseased stomach.

"Dr. Pierce's medicine has done [illegible] my two sons," writes Mrs. M. [illegible] Demster, Oswego Co., N. Y. "Both [illegible] I have lost two daughters in less than [illegible] with consumption and scrofula. My [illegible] was taken two or three years ago with [illegible] rhage from the lungs. If troubled [illegible] a year. He took Dr. Pierce's Golden [illegible] Discovery, and has not had one in over [illegible] My younger son had scrofulous sores [illegible] neck; but has not had any since he [illegible] to take your medicine."

Use Dr. Pierce's Pleasant Pellets [illegible] the bowels and liver.

Boston & Maine Rai[lroad]

WINTER ARRANGEMENT

In effect October [illegible], leave Merrimack street depot, Lowell, as follows:

For Boston, 5.43, 6.25, c6.42, [illegible] c8.15, [illegible] 11.00 a. m.; 1.40, [illegible] c3.41 p. m.

SUNDAYS, 5.45 a. m. [illegible]

Trains leave Middlesex street [illegible] Lowell, as follows:

For Boston, 5.16, 6.28, c6.45, [illegible] [illegible] 7.41, [illegible] W10.53, 11.03, [illegible] W11.00, 12.16, W12.45, 1.42, [illegible] W3.10, [illegible] W3.55, 4.25, W5.15, [illegible] W6.25, [illegible] 7.00, [illegible] W9.25 p. m. SUNDAYS, 7.20, 7.25, W8.15, [illegible] m., W12.05, W4.00, 4.25, W6.30, 6.56, p. m.

For Lawrence, 6.28, W6.50, [illegible] W9.25, 10.05, W10.50 a. m.; W12.05, [illegible] W5.55, 4.15, W5.15, W6.15, W[illegible] W11.25 p. m. SUNDAYS, W8.15 a. m.; W12.[illegible] W7.25 p. m.

For Salem, Mass., 7.34 a. m.; [illegible] 1.25, W5.15, 5.53 p. m.

For Haverhill, 6.28, 6.50, z7.31, 8.5[illegible] 10.00 a. m.; 12.05, 3.30, W3.55, W5.15, 7.00, 9.25, [illegible] p. m. SUNDAYS, 8.15 a. m.; 12.05, 6.20, 7.25 p. m.

For Newburyport, Amesbury and Portsmouth, 6.25 a. m.; 12.06, 2.30, 5.55, [illegible] m.

For Exeter and Dover, 6.28, z7.2[illegible] a. m., 12.06, 2.30, 5.55, 6.15 p. m. SUNDAYS, 5.30 p. m.

For Rochester and Alton Bay, 8.30 a. m.; 12.06, 3.55 p. m.

For Somersworth, N. H., Saco, Old Orchard and Portland, 6.28, z7.31, 8.3[illegible] 12.05, 3.55 p. m. SUNDAYS, 5.3[illegible] for Somersworth and Portland.

For Augusta, Bath, Waterville, [illegible] a. m.; 12.05, 5.15 p. m. SUNDAYS [illegible] p. m.

For Lewiston, 6.28, 8.30, a. m.; [illegible] m.

For Skowhegan, 8.30 a. m.

For Bangor, Belfast, and Rockland, [illegible] a. m.; 5.15 p. m., ex. Saturday [illegible] fast and Rockland. SUNDAYS [illegible] m.

For St. John's, N. B., Halifax, [illegible] Montreal and Quebec, 6.15 p. m. does not connect Saturdays. SUNDAYS, 5.30 p. m.

For Eastport and St. John (via [illegible] from Portland), on (Mondays, for [illegible] John only) and Thursdays at [illegible] m.

For Castine, Deer Isle, Sedgwick, Harbor, Jonesport and Machias (via steamer Frank Jones from Portland), Tuesdays and Fridays at [illegible] m.

For Woburn, 6.25, 7.04, 7.24, [illegible] m.; 1.43, 4.23 p. m.; SUNDAYS, [illegible] m.; 4.25, 5.55 p. m.

For Ayer and Way Stations, 7.10 a. m.; 12.00, 6.01 and 6.42 p. m. SUNDAYS, 2.15 p. m.

For Amherst, Milford and Wilton, [illegible] m.; 1.00, 3.41, 6.40 p. m. SUNDAYS [illegible] m.

For Greenfield, Peterboro, Bennington, Hillsboro and Keene, 9.12 a. m.; [illegible] m. SUNDAYS, to Hillsboro, 2 p. m.

For Nashua, Manchester and Concord, 7.40, 9.12, *9.40 a. m.; *12.12, 1.00, [illegible] *5.40, 6.27, *8.10, *8.40 p. m. SUNDAYS, 10.00 a. m. (to Nashua only), [illegible] 2.00, 6.02, 8.13, 8.40 p. m.

For Franklin, Lebanon and White River Junction, 9.12, *9.40 a. m.; *12.12, [illegible] Franklin only), 6.40, *48.10 p. m.

For Warner, Bradford, Sunapee, Newport, (N. H.,) Claremont and Bellows Falls, mont Junction, 7.40 a. m.; 1.[illegible]

For St. Johnsbury and Lyndonville, Wells River, *9.40 a. m.; *1.40, [illegible] m.

For Montpelier, Essex Jct., Burlington, St. Albans, St. Johns and Montreal, Central Vermont Line, *9.40 a. m.; *48.10 p. m.

For Montreal and Quebec, via [illegible] and Boston Air Line, *9.40 a. m.; [illegible] p. m.

QUEBEC EXPRESS, via Plymouth, Sherbrooke, *9.40 a. m.; *8.40 p. m. [illegible]

References:

*Express. aDaily. bWednesdays and Saturdays only. wVia Western Division. cVia Bedford. zVia Wilmington.

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h ANNIVERSARY

ather Mathew Total Abstince Society

By Associated Press to The Sun.

MBRIDGE, Dec. 30.—The 50th anry of the Fr. Mathew Total Ace society of East Cambridge observed Thursday evening in te hall, East Cambridge, a lecon the life of Fr. Mathew delivered by the Rt. Rev. Mgr. s J. Conaty, D. D., president of atholic University of America, ington.

dent M. F. Quinn presided, and ns were sung by the choir of urch of the Sacred Heart. An ting feature was the presentaa gold medal to Patrick Sharof the founders of the F. M. society and its oldest living r, the presentation being made Conaty.

onaty spoke as follows:

it a great pleasure to be with you celebrate the 50th anniof the establishment of the thew Total Abstinence society parish. Fifty years means n a lifetime of good. In this represents that amount of ndeeds, in unflinching bravery, self-sacrifice. What a golden to the men who have held toas a band of earnest adherents cause of total abstinence.

oice with your society that in any cross paths of life this has overcome all obstacles, and p's aloft the spotless banner abstinence. This is a worthy n'ation, for you know as well at it is not an easy thing to n a society devoted to totalence. During those 50 years societies of the same kind have to exist. But you have outlived all, and that you are still ful to the principles of Fr. Mat worthy of the highest praise. say you of the worthy men arted this society? There are on this stage tonight more worthy eak of it than I. They bear on breasts the medal of Fr. Mathew. the precious inheritance of the ples for which they stand.

a babe in my mother's arms r. Mathew started this society others, but I am proud to say ave always held to his principnd not speak of these prinfor you know them as well as me of you even better. You he left his home in Ireland t to Europe to preach the sade. You know, also, the re his work, and when men re Irish race for deeds of no point to Fr. Mathew as the st hero of them all.

ttness is not alone on the battlebut in the power of controlling self. Fr. Mathew preached the of goodness, of morality which ed a sacrifice, and he found a dy to respond to his touch hew came to this country and hrough the land, and he was by Catholic and Protestant man has never before been And it is a question whether ution has ever been surpassed at time.

now of his work here in this and of his departure, and of roll of names which he took with him, all of them pledged to abstinence. And the seed that he here has borne well, and now place the credit where it belLet us place it on the Capuchiconk, Fr. Mathew.

Mathew preached the gospel of rm, that which was easy neither practical nor to practice. He found the part of his own people great against him, the influence of liquor traffic. That traffic of the only one permitted by law, ws are prohibitory to all else, not to the rum traffic. Don't blame Irishmen for the curse, but blame oppressors of Ireland.

it became a fact that the Irish victim to it, I can say justly, much because of the character people as of the circumstances ch they happened to be placed years of freedom there was no nness; it came after years of ion, and then the traffic inself among the people. came an emancipation of the Today the slave of the south dreams that Abraham Lincoln is ring the country, because the ks of slavery have been stricken him. He does well who frees a politically. That is one of the t results of human effort. But we have an apostle who freed a from slavery under the law, om slavery to sin. He went deepin the body. He went into the Mathew apostolate brought ation to a great people. Think that it was an easy apostolate? usade was one of self-sacrifice. ht the law, "If the cup offend other, touch not the cup." Apto men who did not need total ence themselves. It was an date of generosity.

y time in the history of our for total abstinence it has been ary for us to excuse ourselves g total abstainers. Thank God e reached a pass where the ng man has to give his reasons of being a total abstainer. The e of Fr. Mathew was not so a badge of reformation as a of preservation. Never shall the day when the dangers of inerance shall not surround us, and h Fr. Mathew is no longer with its spirit still remains. You are the only followers of Fr. Mathew. k God there are armies of men are not members of this or similsocieties, yet who are total abs because of your example.

SECOND ANNUAL

OF MOHAIR PLUSH CRICKET CLUB.

busetts Mohair Plush its second annual t evening at High air proved a com and financially. s given from dancing was r till midr refresh the lady ers. The ittee on arrang was comof the followi lemen: J. Harrison, assisted avid Hamh M. Kennedy; J. Kelly, L. Finand W. Collins. The same gentmen's officated as the floor nilfor the dance. The Middlesex tra played for the dancing. The w served by the following s. J. W. Harrison, Mrs. s Chatham, Mrs. Eglah Firth, David Hird and Mrs. John Dobbs.

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CITY OF TAUNTON

Afraid of Contamination of Water Supply

By Associated Press to The Sun.

TAUNTON, Dec. 30.—The annual report of the board of water commissioners of the city of Taunton, presented to the city council contains the following:

Long Pond empties into Assawampsett. Whatever affects the character of the water in Long Pond will therefore in a lesser degree affect that of Assawampsett. A power house has been built to furnish electricity as a motive to run the New Bedford and Brockton electric railway. This power house takes its water supply from Long Pond and returns its waste water to the same pond. The superintendent visited this property Dec. 7th but found no evidence that sewage as yet drains into the pond from this source. The overflow water at this distance from the water works pumping station is of little consequence.

At the head of Long Pond is a large park which will undoubtedly be in full running order next season and will attract crowds of pleasure seekers from New Bedford, Taunton, Brockton and adjoining towns. On Dec. 7, no sewage was draining into the pond, and no preparation for such drainage was in evidence. Outhouses were set at more than the regulation distance from the shore of the pond.

Nevertheless it is unfortunate that this means of drawing crowds of people to visit the shores of a pond which forms part of a water supply should become established. The passage of the electric road along the shores of Assawampsett pond will, undoubtedly, bring many visitors to the neighborhood of the pumping station at Lakeville.

The city of New Bedford owns the land along the shores of Little Quittacus and Great Quittacus and is thus able to protect the shores of its water supply from danger of pollution. Taunton has the same control over Elder's Pond, but has not this safeguard to Long Pond and Assawampsett Pond.

The cost of purchasing even the five rods margin around the borders of these two large ponds might be burdensome for a small city. In view, however, of present and prospective conditions, it is very much to be regretted that the city council of Taunton did not avail itself the past year of an opportunity to buy a considerable tract of land along the borders of Assawampsett in the immediate vicinity of the intake where any objectionable features upon the shore might have a prompt and injurious effect upon the quality of the supply.

The present environment, therefore, of the Lakeside supply suggests the necessity in the near future of guarding Elder's Pond from danger of pollution by diverting the water to be pumped into Elder's pond from Assawampsett, the practibility of which filtration was contemplated when the scheme of supply was adopted and the piping was so arranged that a filtration plant may be installed whenever it may be deemed expedient.

MUSIC HALL.

The attraction next three nights and matinee commencing January 1st at Music hall will be Harry Bryant's Australian Burlesquers. This standard organization is said to be one of the best organized companies on the road this season. The first part is a new one and is given with a vim and dash, and is followed by a rattling vaudeville allo comprising Bryant and Yale in a new and sensational sketch entitled "Just Married." The Quincey Sisters in character songs and dances, Charlie Banks in "Nothing to Arbitrate", Emma Uline in a bouget of new and popular songs. The Empire Comedy quartette comprising Messrs. Hanvey, Wilbur, Conley and Fuller, and Paris' latest sensation, Nelson, Ghiaseretti and Demonte in their pantomimic farce, "Frolics in a Cafe Chantant."

The burlesque which follows while being a little on the sensational order is bound to please and introduces Harry C. Bryant the comedian who made such a decided hit at this theatre last season. There is also the comingling of comedy, pretty choruses, new and catchy music, captivating dances, bewildering evolutions and hosts of pretty girls. The scenery with electrical effects and costumes are all new and taken as a whole the attraction is bound to draw large houses no matter what the magnet is elsewhere. Seats now on sale.

SOCIAL AND FRATERNAL

Three applications and two initiations took place last evenig at the regular meeting of Columbia Council, No. 33, O. U. A. M. Brothers George E. Varney, Charles Young, George S. Gilman and Charles Torsey were elected representatives to the grand council, officers elected for the ensuing year: Councillor, L. P. Durrell; vice councillor, W. H. Foster; recording secretary, G. S. Gilman; assistant recording secretary, P. T. Durrell; financial secretary, F. J. Baldwin; inductor, C. F. Harrington; examiner, A. W. Pilling; inside protector, Frank Dodge; outside protector, P. F. Schofield; trustees, Charles Young, George Varney, and Walter Leach.

At the regular meeting of Lowell lodge, last night, the following officers were elected for the ensuing term: Noble grand, Alvin J. Lethed; vice grand Harvey B. Harriman; secretary, C. A. Clough; treasurer, George F. Taylor; financial secretary, Asa B. Hillard; trustee for three years, William W. Clark; marshal, James A. Osgood.

SUNDAY SOCIALS.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

BOSTON, Dec. 30.—In a circular letter sent to all the divisions of the Ancient Order of Hibernians in this state, Rev. John T. Cummins, the state chaplain of the order, has given expression to his condemnation of the practice of profaning the Lord's day by the holding of Sunday socials.

GUILTY OF PERJURY.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

PROVIDENCE, R. I., Dec. 30.—The two Italians, Gennaro di Nardo and Nicola di Nardo, father and son, who were indicted by the grand jury on the charge of committing perjury in their testimony before the sixth district court, were tried and found guilty this morning. Sentence was deferred.

AMATEUR BOXERS

IN NEW ENGLAND TO BE SUSPENDED FOR ONE WEEK.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

BOSTON, Dec. 30.—The registration committee of the New England association of the A. A. U. last night voted to suspend every registered boxer in New England for one week during which the amateur standing of each will be investigated.

RESULT OF WHIST TOURNAMENT.

The following was the result of the whist tournament at the Alpine club last night between the Alpines and the Knights of Columbus:

Hogan and Wilcox won 1, Savage and Donohoe won 1 and lost 1, O'Connell and O'Donnell lost 1. In the pool tournament Knights of Columbus won 3 and Alpines lost 1.

FINAL MEETINGS

Of City Government Held Last Evening

ALL BUSINESS CLEARED UP NOW

Fred A. Buttrick, Sinking Fund Commissioner

Both branches of the city council, the water board and the overseers of the poor held meetings at city hall last evening and cleared up the year's business. The city council met to take action upon a few matters which were improperly passed at the last meeting. Mayor Crowley vetoed the income measures and the city council sustaining the vetoes passed the measures correctly drawn.

THE ALDERMEN.

Mayor Crowley called the aldermen to order at 8.20 o'clock and six members were present.

He stated that he had vetoed the resolutions for the settlement of the Joseph B. Varnum and Michael T. Dean claims because they were defectively drawn, no designation of the appropriation from which the money was to be drawn being made.

The vetoes were sustained and new resolutions, properly drawn, were introduced and passed.

There was no further business upon the desk, and Mr. Derby moved the election of a commissioner of sinking funds.

Mr. Libby announced that George M. Harrigan was not a candidate for the position, and did not wish his name to be used.

Fred A. Buttrick received four votes, and Mr. Harrigan two, Messrs. McNulty and Miskella voting for him. Mr. Buttrick was declared elected in concurrence.

A recess was then taken, but the members came to order again at 9 o'clock only to adjourn.

COMMON COUNCIL.

Councilman Mullaney presided over the common council last evening when it finally came together, some difficulty being experienced in getting a quorum.

Notice from the board of aldermen of the election in concurrence of Fred A. Buttrick as commissioner of sinking funds for three years was read.

Then the following orders from the board of aldermen came down and were adopted unanimously in concurrence:

"Authorizing the payment of $50 to Michael T. Dean as damages for personal injuries."

"Authorizing the city solicitor to compromise and settle the suit of J. B. Varnum against the city of Lowell and appropriating money therefor."

The above were orders brought in to correct those which were improperly adopted at the previous meeting.

An order to appropriate money for the purchase of land for cemetery purposes which strayed away before it reached the common council the other night was adopted.

WATER BOARD.

The water board held a meeting last night and voted to renew the insurance upon the pumping station and the house at the reservoir. The sum of $20,000 will be placed upon the former.

OVERSEERS OF THE POOR.

The overseers of the poor met at city hall last night and approved the monthly bills. Some matters of routine were also attended to. Information was received that a woman who has a settlement in Lowell is very ill in Maynard. Her husband has left town under a cloud and she is being aided by the Maynard authorities. Her house is worth $2000, and has a mortgage of $800 on it. The secretary was instructed to look into the matter and investigate the woman's circumstances.

ANNUAL MEETING

OF STOCKHOLDERS OF MERRIMACK WOOLEN MILLS.

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Merrimack woolen mills was held in the office of the mill, at Dracut, Friday afternoon. There was nothing of public interest transpired at the meeting. The old board of directors were re-elected.

ANNUAL STATEMENT.

The following is the annual statement of the Criterion Knitting Co.:

Assets, real estate and buildings, $15,797; machinery, $21,763; cash and debts rec., $7501; miscellaneous, $182; total, $56,243.

Liabilities, capital stock, $10,000; debts, $36,149; res. for depreciation and unsettled salaries, $10,205; total, $56,-343.

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INFORMATION Wanted—Over twenty-seven years (27) ago, George McEwan and family left Ottawa, Canada, for Lowell, Mass. In 1873 they lived in the suburbs of Lowell, in Ayer's City, near the tenement. A Mr. McLeopold occupied part of the two-tenement house they lived in. George McEwan and some of his children then worked in the cotton mills. A son learned his trade as blacksmith. George McEwan left a married daughter, Mrs. Patrick Sullivan, in Ottawa. Any information concerning any of them will be gladly received by Miss M. H. Sullivan, 109½ Clarence st., Ottawa, Ontario, Canada.

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WANTED—Experienced hustling general agent wanted in this territory on an article which sells at sight. $200 capital and references required. To experienced man, a good proposition. Address Eureka Coal Saver Co., 76 Westminster st., Providence, R. I.

WANTED—Policy holders in the convenant Mutual Life association, send your addresses to P. O. Box 503, Lowell, Mass.

WANTED—To purchase lodging house in Lowell for cash. Must be cheap. Address K, Sun Office.

WANTED—Old and young men to buy new hats and we clean free of charge for one year at Delorme's, 261 Middlesex street.

WANTED—Cooks, kitchen girls, table girls, general housework girls. Free ride in our carriage. Dome, 163 Merrimack street, opposite Hub Marcho.

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CALL AT GONZALES, the Cutler, 128 Gorham street, if you want a first-class razor or strop. He has the new Xavier razor which excels all others. Razors repaired and honed.

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Cottage houses at Adams Sq., Belvidere, Rent $8. Keys next cottage. William A. Read, 23 Kirk.

First-class tenements in city. Apply to A. G. Pollard, Merchants Block.

LOST—Fox on Merchants Block, left ear torn off. Lawrence st.

LOST—A black and tan collar, 41 Southworth. Finder by leaving at fourthwhite house Club street, Chelmsford Avenue.

FOUND—Saturday night a pair of glasses. Owner can have by calling at this office and paying charges.

LOST—Meerschaum pipe at corner Fayette and Andover street. Dark color and ornamented with silver trimming. Return to 34 Sycamore street and be rewarded.

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169 WORTHEN STREET.
Telephone connection 481-4. Calls night or day promptly attended to. Carriages furnished for weddings and christenings.

When it comes to making overcoats we are right in it with the best of them for style and quality and as for price, we share we distance all our competitors. Our rent is low and we have a great knowledge of our business. These are plain facts of our being able to undersell our neighbors.
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The Fashionable Tailor
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SPECIAL NOTICES.

THE SUN ON SALE IN BOSTON.
The five o'clock edition of The Sun is on sale at the news stand in the Union Station, Boston.

UP-TO-DATE CALENDARS.
Our 1900 calendars are ready for distribution. Fire alarm on back. Call and get one. Dickson Bros., the big tea dealers, 63 Merrimack street.

STEAMSHIP TICKETS AND DRAFTS.
Sold on the Cunard, Dominion, White Star, American, Anchor, Allan and Leyland lines, to and from Boston, New York, Queenstown, Liverpool and all parts of Europe. Drafts issued for £1 and upward on all parts of Great Britain and Ireland.English sovereigns and Canadian bills bought at Murphy's, 18 Appleton street.

CHRISTMAS.
It is not too early to remind you that it is most time to get your orders in for Christmas and if you are going to have anything special, order at once as the market indications are that real good stock is going to be scarce. We have ordered heavily of the best growers and our supply will be the best ever had in Lowell. Nothing adds more to a happy home than a small vase of cut flowers. Floral designs of the latest patterns. Patten & Roberts, florists, 6 Merrimack square. Telephone 65-3.

LOCAL NEWS.

Try Horne's Coal.

BURN WILSON'S COAL.

Hot advertising—Stanley's Coal.

Have you had Pelham cigars?

Eyesight by absorption. Dr. Taylor.

Globes, Fixtures, Lamps, etc. Sweeney & Welch, 262 Mid'x St. Tel. 538-5.

Elegant rubber tired hacks at O'Donnell's. Telephone, 394-4.

Boys buy your skates at The Thompson Hardware Co., great variety—low prices.

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WAGES ADVANCED.
Wages in the Kitson Machine company have been materially advanced and the employes are now [illegible] an increase of from 10 to 12 [illegible]

LOWELL ORCHESTRA [illegible]
Don't forget the last [illegible] be the year, Sunday after[illegible] think the lows' hall, when the following one 'cellist of [illegible] will give it orchestra, and [illegible]ing the national of the Boston [illegible] audience will join in soloists. [illegible] anthem "America." 20th ce[illegible] patriotic occasion. day, [illegible] will also play "Peer [illegible] beautiful and descriptive [illegible] four parts, opening with a [illegible], suggestive of birds and [illegible] and new mown hay, followed [illegible] death-bed scene, a dance in the [illegible] desert and the wild music of the Imps. Reserved seats for this recital at Austin's Music Store for 25 cents.

AUSTRALIAN BEAUTIES.
As an extra attraction for the first three nights next week, the management of Music Hall has engaged Harry Bryant's Australian Burlesquers. This standard organization is one of the largest burlesque companies on the road this season. In addition to a long list of specialties there is a chorus of over 20 handsome girls.
[illegible] company is a good one and is in [illegible] made up of the very best to be [illegible] and is of the approved burlesque [illegible] fraught with many [illegible] specialties, good music, pretty [illegible] and fun galore. The costumes and [illegible] are all new, and a performance [illegible] all the good things of the season is [illegible].

DISASTROUS YEAR

NUMEROUS WRECKS DURING THE YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 1899.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

BANGOR, Me., Dec. 30.—The year ending June 30, 1899, was one of great disaster to the shipping of eastern New England the statistical story of the casualties showing a most appalling record. The greatest losses were suffered in the terrific gale of Nov. 27, 1898, but all through the year wrecks were numerous and the fleet was decimated to the extent of 166 sail, many of them the best vessels that could be constructed of wood. The loss of life in the year was 325, and the property loss nearly $2,000,000.

The greatest disaster of the year was the foundering of the steamer Portland with all on board, 129 persons, and this was also the second greatest loss of property, the steamer and her cargo being valued at $220,000. The wreck of the steamer Whitney of Boston was first in points of property loss—$235,000—and 12 of the 31 members of her crew perished.

Many wrecks have occurred since June 30, but few lives have been lost in that time and the disasters were as nothing compared with the terrible calamities which befell shipping in the previous year. Following is the summary of total wrecks for the year named of vessels hailing from ports in Maine, New Hampshire and Massachusetts:

Maine—Vessels lost, 78; tonnage 24,-348; value of vessels and cargoes, $943,-695; loss on vessels and cargoes, $919,-389; number of persons on board, 569; number of lives lost, 204.

New Hampshire—Vessels lost, 3; tonnage, 356; value of vessels and cargoes, $7500; loss on vessels and cargoes, $6,-600; number of persons on board, 14; no lives lost.

Massachusetts—Vessels lost, 85; tonnage, 22,914; value of vessels and cargoes, $916,890; loss on vessels and cargoes, $885,400; persons on board, 532; number of lives lost, 21.

The total value of vessels and cargoes was $1,868,315, and the total loss on vessels and cargoes, $1,814,360.

NORTH CHELMSFORD

Several hundred people were in attendance at the town hall last evening, when Squad 1, of Troop F, cavalry held their second dance, and the event was a grand success. Many members of the other squads being present, Hibbard's orchestra furnished music. Those who had charge of the event were general manager, Sergt. Elisha H. Shaw; floor director, Private James Eagan. The members of Squad 1 performed the duties of aids.

Mr. John H. Clark of New Boston, N. H., was visiting in North Chelmsford during the week. Mr. Clark is well known to the people of North Chelmsford, and for many years he was the station agent of the Boston and Maine railroad in this village, but during the past few years he has lived in New Boston, N. H.

The ice on Leache's pond is about three inches thick at present and on [illegible] evening many of the village boys [illegible] skating there.

[illegible]MALLEY DEAD.
[illegible] Press to The Sun.
[illegible] Dec. 30.—E. V. [illegible] Northwestern [illegible] of the Nation[illegible] here last [illegible] have de[illegible] der treatin[illegible]

Neither [illegible] the Hood's Sarsa[illegible] system, cures catarrh, [illegible] and all stomach troubles, [illegible] sickness. All who are weak [illegible] the effects of illness or overwork [illegible] its use appetite, strength and health.
Hood's Sarsaparilla
Never Disappoints

L. A. W. REPORT

SHOWS A LOSS OF MEMBERSHIP IN NEW HAMPSHIRE.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

MANCHESTER, N. H., Dec. 30.—R. T. Kingsbury of Keene, chief consul L. A. W., of New Hampshire, made his annual report to the state board of officers at a meeting in this city last evening. The report showed a loss in membership in this state of 118 or 20 per cent. on the last year, a better showing than has been made in many other states. Mr. Kingsbury believes that the abandonment by the league of the control of racing will be to its advantage and advocates this course.

STEAMER LINDA

BURNED TO WATER'S EDGE AND SANK.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

SHREVEPORT, la., Dec. 30.—The steamer Linda of Shreveport burned to the water's edge and sank off Vanceville on the Red River yesterday. The officers and crew had to swim for shore. Five negro rousters from Shreveport were either burned or drowned.

MRS. F. M. WORTH

WIFE OF BRIG. GEN. WORTH, PASSED AWAY YESTERDAY.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

NEW YORK, Dec. 30.—Mrs. [illegible]ence Mansfield Worth, wife of [illegible] Gen. Wm. S. Worth, died at [illegible] at dence of her brother-in-law [illegible] Wm. H. Coffin, in com[illegible] siege battery at the [illegible] Fort Hamilton, after [illegible]

[illegible]EAM THROWN [illegible]

[illegible] FROM IN[illegible]IVED.

[illegible] to The Sun.

A FISH PE[illegible] I., Dec. 30.—Al[illegible] peddler, was thrown [illegible] while on his way to [illegible] Pawtuxet yesterday af[illegible] receiving injuries which re[illegible] his death at the Rhode Island [illegible] last night. His 12-year-old [illegible] who was with him, was also [illegible] out, but escaped injury. Field [illegible] 41 years old, and leaves a wife and three children.

MIDDLESEX WOMEN'S CLUB.
Monday, Jan. 1, 1900, New Year's reception to state federation officers and the presidents of federated clubs. At 3.30 p. m., brief addresses; at 4 o'clock, recital by the Schumann string quintette, Carl Behr, director; 4.30 o'clock, reception and club tea. This afternoon will be open to club members only and those holding transferred tickets, their out-of-town guests and the guests of the club. Club members desiring to hear the addresses are requested to be in their seats promptly at 3.30 o'clock, as at that time the entrances to the floor of Colonial hall will be closed. At the close of the addresses the doors will be opened for a few minutes but will be closed during the recital by the quintette. Members coming late may find seats in the gallery which will be open at the time.

The Schumann string quintette is composed of the following well known artists: Carl Behr, director, [illegible]llo and zither soloist, formerly for many years a member of the Boston Symphony orchestra; Emil C. Laviguear, [illegible] violin and soloist; Jacques Benavente, second violin, clarinet and saxaphone soloist; P. L. Gregoire, double bass; Emil J. Borjes, viola. The program for the recital is as follows:

Quintette.
a. Andante Con Moto ....Bocherini
b. Minuet Allegretto ......Bocherini

Quartette.
a. Adagio,
b. Minuet,
c. Allegro, con brio ....Haydn, op. 74

Quintette.
a. Andante, G minor .Tschaikowsky
b. The Mill .... Raff

Tuesday, Jan. 2, 10 to 11 o'clock a. m. recital by members of the music section; composer, Mendelssohn.

Tuesday, Jan. 2, 4 p. m. Browning class under the direction of Miss Julia E. Ward. Subject "In a Balcony." Rev. Chas. T. Billings will read "By the Fireside."

Wednesday, Jan. 3, choral class.

Thursday, Jan. 4. Lecture by Mr. Hamilton W. Mabie; subject, "Some Hints from Nature." Tickets will be on sale Monday to club members for their friends.

SAVOY THEATRE

One of the best places in Lowell to go for an evening's entertainment is the Savoy Theatre. That is the prevailing opinion among the majority of the people of Lowell at the present time, and judging from the attractions offered thus far at the theatre it is an opinion not far from the truth. Every bill offered up to the present time has been of the highest quality and the majority of the artists who appeared were fresh from the Keith circuit. The latter fact is evidence enough of the efforts made by the management to please. The bill offered this week deserves crowded houses. It is really the best presented thus far and is headed by Mr. and Mrs. Robyns, conceded by the most exacting critics to be the best legitimate sketch team now playing in the varieties. This afternoon and night remain for those who have not had the opportunity to hear them and the remaining artists who make up the bill. The matinee this afternoon is at the usual hour, 2.15, and the evening entertainment at 8.15.

SUCCESSFUL DANCE

HELD BY TALBOT MILLS BAND LAST NIGHT.

A successful dance was held at Talbot Memorial hall in North Billerica last evening, under the auspices of the Talbot mills band. The affair was very largely attended, many people being present from Lowell. While the guests were arriving in the early evening, the orchestra, which was composed of mebers of the band, played a number of concert selections, which were well received. Dancing began at 9 o'clock, and was enjoyed until nearly midnight.

Eyesight by absorption. Dr. Taylor.

shortness of breath—a sensation of dryness and heat in the throat. Neglect is dangerous.
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Hale's Honey of Horehound and Tar acts like a charm on the throat and bronchial tubes. Use it before it's too late. Sold by druggists.
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MISS BLANCHE AMES WHO IS TO WED OAKES AMES OF THE NOTED NORTH EASTON FAMILY.

A CATHOLIC CLUB

Flourishes Among the Catholics in Philippines

IT ISSUES AN INTERESTING PAPER

The Purposes of the Organization

Mrs. Larkin of North Chelmsford, whose son John Larkin, is at present in Manila, is the first person in this vicinity to receive a copy of the Sentinel, an interesting four-page paper published weekly by the Catholic Club, an organization devoted to the interests of Uncle Sam's soldiers of the Catholic faith. The editor is W. F. Malone, who is also president of the Catholic club, and the spiritual director is Rev. F. X. Baire, S. J., San Ignacio church, Intramuros, a Spanish priest. Although the Catholic club is a new organization and heretofore unknown in this vicinity, it appears to be a pronounced success. The purposes of the club are set forth in an article in the Sentinel, entitled, "What Is the Catholic Club" as folows:

"So many letters of inquiry have reached the officers and members of the Catholic club concerning the purposes of the organization that the Sentinel takes this means of answering these questions.

The Catholic club was organized for a two-fold purpose. First, to furnish a meeting place for the Catholic soldier and his friends; a place where they might assemble for mutual advancement; second, to keep warm in their hearts the faith instilled through childhood and youth by mothers, who, in thousands of cases today, would be less anxious about their dear ones in the Philippines did they have the assurance that their boys are still loyal sons of Mother church.

On Thursday, the 2d day of August, 1899, the first public meeting was held. At that time the guest of the evening, Rev. E. H. Fitzgerald, chaplain of the 22d infantry, defined in clear terms what a Catholic club should be. The meeting was honored by the presence of his grace, the venerable archbishop of Manila, who, seeing the purpose and determination of the promoters, tendered for the use of the society as a permanent home the convent attached to the church of Our Lady of the Guido, in the district of Ermita. The place is easy of access. From the "bridge of Spain" one can ride on the street cars to the very door for two cents. The church is only a few doors from the Laneta, on the left hand side of Calle Real, in the district of Ermita. The rooms have been neatly furnished by voluntary contributions of Catholic soldiers and civilians stationed or resident in Manila; in some instances soldiers not of our faith, seeing the advantage of such a place, have dropped in their mites, for which grateful acknowledgment is here made.

A library of nearly two hundred volumes of English literature, religious and secular, has been donated by the Jesuit Fathers of St. Ignatius church, Calle Arzobispo, Wall City. On the tables there is writing material, furnished gratis, for those who wish to correspond with friends at home. From the windows one can overlook the bay, and the refreshing breezes from the waters make it a pleasant place to spend an hour with profit to mind and body.

The religious end of the society can be put in a very succinct form:

First—By the atmosphere and surroundings the soldier may be led to realize that the more Christian life he leads the more his country can depend on his services.

Second—Any soldier will admit that in a campaign such as our men are undergoing at the present time, there is danger from the bullets of the enemy and the ravages of disease. Where is the Catholic man who in danger of death would refuse the consolations of holy church—the attendance of a priest aur the administration of the sacrament? The purpose of the Catholic club is to see that a priest is brought to the bedside of the dying Catholic soldier.

Third—Should death claim any of our members the officers of the club will see that the remains will be laid to rest with all the rites of the Catholic church.

While it is to be hoped that all our boys may return home safe and sound, the fact stares us in the face that there is danger, and with this thought in view we ask the Catholic soldiers in the field to consider the proposition of membership. The dues are 25 cents a month. All that is necessary to become a member is to send your name with the subscription to any officer of the club."

The Sentinel contains a number of interesting Catholic notes of the church in the Philippines and in our own country.

The engagement of Miss Helen J. Thissell to Mr. William T. Davis is announced.

LABOR NEWS

STEAM AND GAS FITTERS' UNION TO HOLD SMOKE TALK.

On Monday night the Steam and Gas Fitters' union will hold a smoke talk in Barrister's hall, and they invite all steam and gas fitters of the city whether members of the union or not, to be present.

The Carders and Pickers' union will hold their next meeting on Friday night, instead of Tuesday, but the following week they will hold their meeting on Tuesday and will alternate for the next three months, so that all will have a chance to attend the meetings.

The Plumbers' union will hold their meeting next Tuesday night.

GREATEST GENERAL

THE SUBJECT TO BE DISCUSSED BY CARDERS AND PICKERS.

To the Editor of The Sun:

With your kind permission I submit through the medium of your paper a few facts that may be of service to the general public. The Carders and Pickers union will hold a peculiar debate Sunday evening, Dec. 31, that will be free to the public.

The subject is: "Who Was the Greatest General," and each person present will be allowed to choose whoever he wishes from the generals of all ages, down to our own much abused General Shafter who embarked and disembarked an army of 16,000 men without the loss of a single man and conquered General Toral at Santiago on a pure bluff and thus saved his soldiers from extermination by fever. Mr. John Wallace General Robert E. Lee; Mr. Timothy J. Halloran will speak in support of Cyrus the great; Mr. William Bumber will present the claims of the Duke of Wellington; Mr. James F. Collins will speak for the Father of Our Country, George Washington;; Mr. Ell Procunil has inflicted upon himself the task of supporting a general with a name as heavy as the armor of Goliath, the gentle Nebuchodonsor; Mr. James Mylott has concluded to present Napoleon Bonoparte; Brother William Lucas will support Teddy Roosevelt. Will no one rally the cause of the much maligned Shafter.

Prior to the debate one half hour will be devoted to mild physical exercises to give elasticity and strength to the muscle and power to the lungs and voice. Some of the best lessons taught by athletic professors and teachers of vocal culture and deportment of public speakers are practised by our class during the first half hour spent in physical exercises. The physical part begins at half past seven; the mental part at 8 p.m. and thus far there have been of sufficient interest to continue to 10 p.m. As I have previously stated the meetings and exercises are free to the entire public and we urge all who can to avail themselves of the oportunity to train and develop alike sound physique and a bright intellect. We have ample quarters to accomodate several hundred people. We are located in Old Odd Fellows building at 212 Merrimack street. We rent the entire floor, having a surface of four thousand, one hundred square feet. We have an infant gymnasium and a library donated by members and their friends. We receive the Congressional Record through the courtesy of Hon. Wm. S. Knox, who has agreed to supply our library with a duplicate of all maps, charts, books and documents published by the government, to which we are entitled. Our friends who do not follow mill work for their daily bread have raised the question: "Is there not some way in which they can help so worthy an organization." We answer there is, and they can contribute either funds, books, furniture, athletic apparatus or any thing of material value and we are framing a law to admit worthy people as honorary members. The cause that our union battles for benefits all wage earners from the high salaried mill treasurer down to the poor mill girl at 80 cents a day and as its success menas the general good of all, then all alike should give freely to it from their moral and financial means.

All employes of our textile mills are eligible to membership in the Carders and Pickers' union, providing there does not exist a union of their own craft, when in such case they cannot become members of the Carders and Pickers unless they present the union card of their respective trade. We are positive in our conviction that many unions among our mill people and each making herculean efforts to exist on small revenues are impotent and we urge a concentration of power. Let those who are not yet enrolled in the army of organized labor present their names and dues to the Carders and Pickers' union that will be peerless in ways, means and resources, to work out the eventual amelioration of the hard working, honest men and women, who are housed up away from pure air in huge buildings that are anything but places of recreation.

THOMAS F. CONNOLLY, Sec., Lowell, Dec. 20.

RESOLUTIONS FOR THE BOERS.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

MANCHESTER, N. H., Dec. 30.—The New Hamrshire section of the Ancient Order of Hibernians has passed resolutions favoring the South African republic in its war with England.

Beware of Ointments for Catarrh that contain Mercury,
as mercury will surely destroy the sense of smell and completely derange the whole system when entering it through the mucous surfaces. Such articles should never be used except on prescriptions from reputable physicians, as the damage they will do is ten fold to the good you can possibly derive from them. Hall's Catarrh Cure, manufactured by F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, O., contains no mercury, and is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. In buying Hall's Catarrh Cure be sure you get the genuine. It is taken internally and is made in Toledo, Ohio, by F. J. Cheney & Co. Testimonials free.
Sold by Druggists, price 75c. per bottle.

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Are you dizzy? Do you have to hold your hand to the side of your head when you straighten up? Then your liver isn't acting well. You have sick headache, nausea, coated tongue, and constipation.

Take a laxative dose of Ayer's Pills each night, just enough to have one good, natural movement of the bowels daily. These pills cure constipation and all other troubles caused by a sluggish liver. Price 25c. All Druggists.

"Ayer's Pills are the best I have ever used. If I stop taking them I can't do my work, my liver is so sluggish. But by taking one now and then I am able to enjoy the best of health." E. N. NORTH, May 20, 1899. Sidell, Ill.

RICHARD CROKER

The Democratic Leader to be Honored in Dublin

By Associated Press to The Sun.

DUBLIN, Ire., Dec. 30.—Lord Mayor Tallon of Dublin, it has been learned from letters received here yesterday, has started a movement to have a life size bust of Richard Croker placed in the council chamber of the Irish capital. It is to be in recognition of his act and generosity in raising the Tammany hall fund for the preservation of the Parnell estate at Arondale, county of Wicklow, Ireland.

The matter will be taken up officially by the municipal council of Dublin at the first session after Jan. 1.

At the suggestion of John E. Redmond, M. P., the Irish Nationalists of all parties are subscribing to a fund to secure a portrait of Mr. Croker, which will be hung on the walls of the "Antient" concert room in Dublin. The members of the Parnell family, who at present occupy the Parnell mansion, will extend to Mr. Coker a special invitation to make it his home whenever he visits Ireland. A special guest chamber, it is said, will be fitted up and set aside for any distinguished Tammanyite who may happen along.

SUNDAY SERMONS

TO BE PREACHED IN THE DIFFERENT CHURCHES TOMORROW.

First Congregational—Morning, "Year's Balance Sheet;" evening, "Closing Up Accounts."

First Primitive Methodist—Morning, "The Permanent Perfection and Judgment;" evening, Sunday school concert.

Primitive M. E.—At 10.30 p. m., a union watch night service will be held.

First Trinitarian Congregational—Morning, "A Wonderful Year;" singing by chorus and children's choir; 12 m., a grand review lesson in the Sunday school; 6 p. m., a New Year's meeting and roll call for the Y. P. S. C. E.; 7 p. m., illustrated lecture, "In His Steps."

Salvation Army—Holiness meeting, 11 a. m., children's meeting, 1.45; song and praise meeting, 3 p. m.; gospel meeting 7.30; Capt. Lasner with the string band will assist. The Lawrence string band will be with the Salvationists Saturday night and conduct the service.

Free Church—Morning, "Making Old Things New."

Unity Meeting House—Afternoon at 4 o'clock, "Unitarianism and Plain People."

St. Paul's M. E.—Morning, "Time and Eternity;" evening, watch-night service beginning at 7, "The Great Prize Fight Between Good and Evil." Pastor Staples. At 9.30, preaching by Rev. Smith T. Ford.

Centralville M. E.—Morning, "Last Things;" evening, "Moses Before Pharaoh," illustrated.

Second Church of Christ, Scientist—Morning, "God."

Paige street Baptist—Morning, "Past Better Than Present;" evening, at 7 o'clock, "What I Saw and Heard." At 9.30, sermon by Rev. A. E. Kenyon.

First Presbyterian—Morning, "The Value of Fifty-Two Sabbaths;" evening, "The Decisive Evidence of Christianity."

Highland Congregational—Morning, preaching service; evening, union memorial service for D. L. Moody at Branch street Tabernacle.

Highland M. E.—Morning, "A Last Word;" evening, a watch night service, sermon by Rev. Louis Blanchet.

Fifth street Baptist—Morning, sermon by Mr. J. Bruce Gilman of Brown University; evening, "The Message of the Year."

Union Free Baptist—Morning, preaching; evening, "God Requireth the Past."

First Unitarian—Morning, "Forgetting the Things That Are Behind."

Central M. E. (Corner of John and Paige streets.)—Morning, Evangelist E. P. Telford, of London, England, will preach, and at the watch night services to begin at 8.15 p. m. and close at 12.15 Monday morning John street Congregational will unite in this service. Rev. G. H. Johnson, Thomas Judge and Rev. Mr. Meredith also will speak. S. S. concert at 6.45 p. m. No Epworth League because of watch night services.

Pawtucket—Morning, "Be Ready;" evening, "The New Year."

First Church of Christ (Scientist)—Morning, "God."

Worthen Street M. E.—Morning, "Taking Account of Stock;" 7, watch night love feast; 8.30 to 12, union watch night services.

Grace Universalist—Morning, "Day by Day."

Hillside, Tremont—Morning, "What I Have Written, I Have Written;" 7, meeting will be led by Mrs. Richardson.

Christadelphian Ecclesia—Morning, "The Truth as It IS in Jesus."

Westminster Presbyterian—Morning, "A Happy New Year;" evening, "Life and Labors of the Late D. L. Moody."

Immanuel Baptist—Mr. F. A. Hayward who is studying at Hamilton, N. Y., will preach morning and evening.

Eliot—Morning, Prof. W. H. Ryden; evening, Sunday school concert postponed from last week.

Ayer City Mission—At 3 o'clock Mr. Robert Morris of Andover, Mass., will preach.

MAINE CIVIC LEAGUE

MAKING A FIGHT AGAINST LIQUOR SELLERS.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

BATH, Me., Dec. 30.—The branch of the Maine Civic League has taken a new move in the enforcement of the prohibitory law in this city. The Rev. C. A. Perry, president of the league, has issued a circular calling the attention of hotel and restaurant keepers to Chap. 75 of the Revised Statutes of Maine, which says that all innkeepers and victuallers shall take out a license and give a bond of $300 not to break the conditons of that license, one of these conditions being that they shall not violate any laws of the state pertaining to liquor.

It is said that the league may try to have the license of all restaurant and hotel keepers who sell liquor revoked and their bonds forfeited. It is reported that the league will notify all persons having buildings where liquor is sold that if it be proven that liquor is sold upon their premises they will be prosecuted.

At the present term of court 45 indictments for liquor selling have been returned. It is said this includes about every person in the county who sells liquor.

LONG WAIT REWARDED

MRS. BROWN HAUNTED NEWBURG STATIONS FOR YEARS, HOPING FOR SON'S RETURN.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

NEWBURG, Dec. 30.—The end came happily to Mrs. Ellen Brown because the son for whom she had waited and watched for ten years was at her side. Yesterday he followed her to the grave.

Everybody in Newburg knew the sad-faced little woman who had haunted railroad stations and boat landings for a decade. Often she went across the river to Fishkill to watch the arrival of the New York Central trains.

"I am waiting for my son," she told those who questioned her. "He will come back to me some day."

Richard Brown was only seventeen when he left his home. His mother never heard from him.

A month ago Mrs. Brown became grievously ill and was taken to St. Luke's hospital. The doctors knew that she would not leave it alive. Each morning she asked if there was news from her son. They knew that it was the longing to see him that kept her alive.

A week ago Richard Brown returned to Newburg. He went to the hospital. There was no surprise in the little mother's face, but only a great joy.

From that time she failed rapidly. She died with her boy's hand in hers, with peace and happiness in her heart.

COOLNESS SAVED LIFE

ENGNIEER WAS UNDER LOCOMOTIVE WHEN HIS TRAIN WAS RUN INTO.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

NEW YORK, Dec. 30—By unusual presence of mind, John Welch saved himself from instant death last night at Bellmore, L. I. He was the engineer of a passenger train that was run into by the Amagansett freight.

At the moment of the impact he was under his locomotive attending to the machinery. When he felt the shock, he instinctively grasped the crossbars of the engine and together with the ponderous machine was shot ahead over the railroad ties for more than eighty yards.

When extricated from his position, Welch, who is forty-five, and lives at Long Island City, was found to be badly bruised and injured internally. His hurts are not thought to be fatal, however.

The passenger train is made up each evening at Belmore, L. I., and runs from that point to Jamaica. The [illegible]cess had been followed as usual [illegible] night but the red lights had no[illegible] been hung out from the rear car [illegible] the Amagansett fast freight [illegible] around the curve. It crashed into [illegible] standing train.

Prove all Thin[gs]

This Old, Old Com[mand] is Easy to Fulfill in Lowell.

To win a wager, an English Ma[n] stood on London bridge and [offered] for an hour British sovereigns ([$]1.25) five shillings ($1.25). He could [not] find a customer. There are [good] good reasons why the ordinary [man] could not be induced to buy, b[ut no] reason can be given why Lowell [peo]ple will not accept the following [con]vincing proof about Doan's Ki[dney] Pills. Read this:

Mrs. James O'Connell of 153 C[illegible] street says: "What everybody [illegible] must be good. This old adage a[pplies] with force to Doan's Kidney [Pills.] One frequently hears them spoke[n of] always in terms of praise. We pro[cur]ed them at Ellingwood & Co.'s [drug] store, corner of Merrimack and [Cen]tral street, and the results obt[ained] from their use in our family lead [us] to gladly testify to their great va[lue.]

Doan's Kidney Pills for sale by [all] dealers, price 50 cents. Mailed [by] Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, N[. Y.] Sole agents for the U. S. Reme[mber] the name Doan's and take no ot[her.]

LOW TEMPERATURE[S]

CONTINUE FROM ROCKY MO[UN]TAIN REGION EASTWARD.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 30.—Low [tem]peratures continue from the [illegible] Mountain region eastward. Fa[ir and] continued cold weather is ind[icated] from the Mississippi valley east[ward] Saturday and Sunday. As the pr[evail]ing high pressure will continue to [dom]inate conditions over this district [for] at least two days longer, west of [the] Mississippi valley it is likely [that] the conditions will be influenced by [the] eastward movement of the low a[rea] now on the Pacific coast and increa[sing] cloudiness with moderating tempe[ra]tures. For the Atlantic coast w[inds] will continue fresh to the north.

DELIGHTFUL GERMAN.
Miss Jessie Ames gave a delight[ful] German at the Ames residence last e[v]ening in honor of her cousins, t[he] Misses Dunn and young friends w[ho] are home for the Christmas holiday[s.] There were about fifty persons in t[he] party.

"I had a running itching sore on [my] leg. Suffered tortures. Doan's O[int]ment took away the burning [and] the itching instantly and [illegible] quickly effected a permanent c[ure.]"

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